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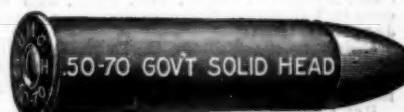
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THE ARMY.

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STEPHEN B. ELKINS, Secretary of War.

LEWIS A. GRANT, Assistant Secretary of War.

ARMY NOMINATIONS.—JAN. 13.

Ordnance Department.

Second Lieutenant George W. Burr, 1st Art., to be first lieutenant, Jan. 10, 1893, vice Howard, retired from active service.

JAN. 19.

Infantry arm.

Corporal O. R. Wolfe, Co. H, 14th Inf., to be 2d lieutenant of infantry, to rank from Nov. 19.

Pay Department.

Elijah W. Halford, of Indiana, to be Paymaster, with the rank of major, Jan. 10, vice Canby, nominated for promotion.

ARMY CONFIRMATIONS.—JAN. 15.

Pay Department.

Lieutenant-Colonel Charles M. Terrell, Deputy Paymaster-General, to be Assistant Paymaster-General.
Major James P. Canby, Paymaster, to be Deputy Paymaster-General.

CORPS AND STAFF DEPARTMENTS.

Adjutant and Inspector Generals.

Maj. P. D. Vroom, Insp.-Gen. of the Dept., will proceed to Galveston, Tex.; New Orleans, La.; Mobile, Ala.; Ft. Barrancas, Fla.; Montgomery and Florence, Ala.; Columbia Arsenal, Nashville and Memphis, Tenn., and Vicksburg, Miss., on public business (S. O. 7, Jan. 12, D. Texas.)

Quartermasters and Subsistence Departments

The ordinary leave granted Capt. C. R. Barnett, Asst. Q. M., is changed to leave on account of sickness (S. O. 9, Jan. 12, D. East.)

Capt. Crosby P. Miller, Asst. Q. M., will proceed to Jefferson Barracks, Mo., on public business (S. O. Jan. 13, H. Q. A.)

A board of survey—to consist of Lieut.-Col. Charles G. Sawtelle, Depy. Q. M. Gen.; Maj. John Simpson, Q. M., and Capt. Erasmus C. Gilbreath, 11th Inf., will assemble at the general depot of the Q. M. Dept., Philadelphia, Pa., from time to time, at the call of the senior member thereof (S. O. Jan. 17, H. Q. A.)

Post Q. M. Sergt. Lewis A. Hoyt, Ft. Niobrara, Neb., having satisfactorily explained that his true name is L. Alexander Hester, he will hereafter be borne under the latter name on all rolls, returns, etc. (S. O. Jan. 12, H. Q. A.)

Comy. Sergt. William Minser, a soldier of excellent war record, whose service dates from September, 1862, has been retired. He was appointed a commissary sergeant in November, 1874.

So much of Par. 5, S. O. 304, Dec. 29, H. Q. A., as directs Comy. Sergt. William Casey, on being relieved at Ft. Barrancas, Fla., to proceed to Omaha, Neb., is amended so as to direct him upon being relieved at Ft. Barrancas to proceed to Ft. Grant, A. T., to relieve Comy. Sergt. Frank Herron, who will proceed to Benicia Arsenal, Cal., for duty (S. O. Jan. 14, H. Q. A.)

Comy. Sergt. Charles Woodcock (appointed Jan. 14, 1893, from sergeant, Co. C, 11th Inf.), now at Whipple Barracks, A. T., will proceed to Ft. Bayard, N. M., for duty at that post (S. O. Jan. 17, H. Q. A.)

Upon the demand of Comy. Sergt. Isidore Kalmus, a court of inquiry has been convened at Ft. McIntosh to report all the facts of a personal encounter between Kalmus and Chief Trumpeter George Cheek, 3d Cav., and to express an opinion as to the truth or falsity of the imputations made by Cheek against the character of Kalmus at the time the difficulty took place.

Medical Departments.

Leave for four months is granted Capt. Jefferson D. Poindexter, Asst. Surg. (S. O. Jan. 13, H. Q. A.)
The extension of leave granted 1st Lieut. Samuel R. Dunlop, Asst. Surg., is still further extended to include Jan. 31 (S. O. Jan. 12, H. Q. A.)

The resignation of 1st Lieut. Samuel R. Dunlop, Asst. Surg., has been accepted by the President, to take effect Jan. 31 (S. O. Jan. 12, H. Q. A.)

Capt. Guy L. Edie, Asst. Surg., is relieved from duty at Ft. Niobrara, Neb., and will repair to New York City, N. Y., for duty (S. O. Jan. 13, H. Q. A.)

1st Lieut. Thomas U. Raymond, Asst. Surg., is relieved from further duty at Vancouver Barracks, Wash., and will report in person to the C. O. Ft. Canby, Wash., for duty at that station, relieving Capt. Edward C. Carter, Asst. Surg., who will proceed to Vancouver Barracks for duty there (S. O. Jan. 16, H. Q. A.)

Hospl. Stwd. William H. Lyon, in charge, Asst. Hospl. Stwd. George Gibbons, now at San Antonio, Tex., will proceed to Carrizo, Tex., for duty in the field (S. O. 5, Jan. 8, D. Texas.)

Pvt. Charles F. Schiller, Hospl. Corps, is discharged (S. O. Jan. 12, H. Q. A.)

Pvt. Roll Richards, Hospl. Corps, is transferred to Ft. Riley, Kas. (S. O. Jan. 12, H. Q. A.)

Hospl. Stwd. George A. Hartford (appointed Jan. 11, 1893), now at Ft. D. A. Russell, Wyo., is assigned to duty at that station (S. O. Jan. 13, H. Q. A.)

The following enlisted men of the Hospital Corps, now at the posts designated after their respective names, will report on Feb. 10 to Capt. Louis A. La Garde, Asst. Surg., at the Army Hospital, Jackson Park, Chicago, Ill., for duty in connection with the exhibit of the Medical Department at the World's Columbian Exposition: Hospl. Stwd. John Moser and Pvt. Augustus Tracey, Ft. McHenry, Md.; Hospl. Stwd. Charles Parker, Ft. Robinson, Neb. (S. O. Jan. 14, H. Q. A.)

Pvt. Louis Lenk, Hospl. Corps, now awaiting orders at the recruiting rendezvous, No. 1316 Filbert street, Philadelphia, Pa., is assigned to duty at Ft. Riley, Kas. (S. O. Jan. 17, H. Q. A.)

Pay Department.

Maj. Joseph W. Wham, Paymr., will report to Col.

Thomas M. Anderson, 14th Inf., president of the Army retiring board at Vancouver Barracks, Wash., for examination by the board (S. O. Jan. 13, H. Q. A.)

Engineer and Ordnance Departments.

Maj. James F. Gregory, C. E., having repaired to Washington, D. C., and performed the duty contemplated, will return to his proper station (S. O. Jan. 16, H. Q. A.)

Leave is granted Maj. William Ludlow, C. E., for two months after his return to Detroit, Mich. (S. O. Jan. 19, H. Q. A.)

Sergt. Harper, Co. C, Battalion of Engineers, Willet's Point, committed suicide Jan. 13 in the barracks. Placing the muzzle of a rifle in his mouth, he pressed the trigger with his feet. He died instantly. Harper was a veteran soldier of good character.

Leave for four months is granted 1st Lieut. Beverly W. Dunn, O. D. (S. O. Jan. 17, H. Q. A.)

The following assignments to duty of ordnance sergeants, recently appointed, are made: Ord. Sergt. Thomas V. Turney (appointed from sergeant, Bat. G, 8th Art., Dec. 21, 1892), now at Ft. Monroe, Va., is assigned to duty at that post. Ord. Sergt. John Hinds (appointed from 1st sergeant, Bat. H, 4th Art., Dec. 21, 1892), now at Ft. Monroe, Va., will proceed to Ft. Gaines, Ala., and relieve Ord. Sergt. William W. Vogel, who will proceed to Ft. Grant, A. T., for duty. Ord. Sergt. Joseph Boan (appointed from 1st sergeant, Bat. B, 2d Art., Dec. 21, 1892), now at Ft. Warren, Mass., will proceed to Watertown Arsenal, Mass. Ord. Sergt. John Davis (appointed from 1st sergeant, Bat. C, 2d Art., Dec. 21, 1892), now at Ft. Adams, R. I., will proceed to Ft. Monroe Arsenal, Va. Ord. Sergt. Charles W. Brooks (appointed from sergeant, Bat. K, 5th Art., Dec. 21, 1892), now at the Presidio of San Francisco, Cal., will proceed to Benicia Arsenal, Cal. Ord. Sergt. Zachariah T. Woodall (appointed from sergeant, Troop I, 6th Cav., Dec. 21, 1892), now at Ft. Yellowstone, Wyo., will proceed to Rock Island Arsenal, Ill. Ord. Sergt. William H. Loveland (appointed from quartermaster sergeant, 2d Inf., Dec. 21, 1892), now at Ft. Omaha, Neb., will proceed to Rock Island Arsenal, Ill., for instruction (S. O. Jan. 13, H. Q. A.)

Signal Corps.

Sergt. William Beasel, S. C., now at Cooley's Ranch, A. T., will proceed to Ft. Bowie, A. T., for duty at the U. S. military telegraph office at that post, to relieve Sergt. George A. Brown, S. C., who will proceed to Cooley's Ranch, A. T., for duty (S. O. Jan. 17, H. Q. A.)

Chaplains.

An Army retiring board having found Post Chaplain William H. Pearson incapacitated for active service, the extension of leave on account of disability granted him is still further extended until further orders on account of disability (S. O. Jan. 14, H. Q. A.)

Leave for six months, on surgeon's certificate, with permission to leave the Dept. of Arizona, is granted Post Chaplain Winfield Scott (S. O. Jan. 17, H. Q. A.)

THE LINK.

The Stations of Companies not mentioned here will be found by reference to last number of the JOURNAL.

1st Cavalry, Colonel Abraham K. Arnold.

Hdqs., C. O. G. H. and L. Ft. Grant, D. Ft. Apache, B. and I. Ft. Bayard, N. M.; L. Ft. Custer, Mont.; A. Ft. Myer, Va.; E. San Carlos, Ariz.—Indian troop.

The leave granted Capt. H. E. Tutherly is extended 23 days (S. O. 5, Jan. 7, D. Ariz.)

Major John M. Hamilton is detailed as a member of the Army Retiring Board at Vancouver Bks., Wash., vice Major Thomas Ward, A. A. G., relieved (S. O. Jan. 13, H. Q. A.)

Capt. Albert G. Forse is detailed on recruiting duty and will proceed to St. Paul, Minn., and report thence on or about Feb. 1 by telegraph to the superintendent of the recruiting service, N. Y. City, for assignment to a rendezvous. This detail is made with a view to a tour of duty for two years (S. O. Jan. 16, H. Q. A.)

2nd Cavalry, Colonel George G. Hunt.

Hdqs., A. C. D. G. H. and L. Ft. Wingate, N. M.; E. and K. Ft. Huachuca, Ariz.; B. and I. Ft. Bowie, Ariz.; F. Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.—Indian troop.

1st Lieut. F. W. Sibley will proceed from Ft. Wingate, N. M., to San Diego Bks., Cal., for medical treatment (S. O. 5, Jan. 7, D. Ariz.)

Lieut.-Col. Samuel S. Sumner is relieved from duty as a member of the examining board convened at Fort Myer, Va., and will proceed to New York City and thence to Jefferson Bks., Mo., and relieve Lieut.-Col. Samuel B. M. Young, 4th Cav., from the command of the recruiting depot at that place. The latter will proceed to join his regiment at Fort Walla Walla, Wash. (S. O. Jan. 17, H. Q. A.)

3rd Cavalry, Colonel Anson Mills.

Hdqs., A. and G. Ft. McIntosh, Tex.; D. and K. Fort Sam Houston, Tex.; E. Ft. Hancock, Tex.; F. Ft. Riley, Kas.; C. and I. Ft. Ringgold, Tex.; B. Ft. Brown, Tex.; H. Magie Pass, Tex.; L. Ft. Meade, S. D.—Indian troop.

Sergt.-Maj. Charles Walter will be discharged from the service of the U. S. on Jan. 23 by the C. O. Fort McIntosh, Tex. (S. O. 5, Jan. 10, D. Tex.)

Col. Anson Mills is relieved from duty at Fort Walla Walla, Wash., and will proceed to join his regiment (S. O. Jan. 17, H. Q. A.)

4th Cavalry, Colonel Chas. E. Compton.

Hdqs., A. D. H. and L. Ft. Walla Walla, Wash.; C. Ft. Bidwell, Cal.; G. Ft. Sherman, Idaho; E. Vapourous Bks., Wash.; B. Boise Bks., Idaho; B. I. and K. Presidio of San Francisco, Cal.—Indian troop.

Leave for 10 days, from and including Jan. 10, is granted 2d Lieut. Milton F. Davis (S. O. Jan. 12, H. Q. A.)

5th Cavalry, Colonel James F. Wade.

Hdqs., B. C. D. E. G. H. and L. Ft. Reno, Okk. T.; D. and H. Ft. Bill, Okk. T.; A. and F. Ft. Supply, Ind. T.; I. Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.—Indian troop.

Capt. Joel S. Bishop is relieved from further duty at Fort Bill, and will join his troop at Fort Reno, O. T. (S. O. 4, Jan. 9, D. Mo.)

Capt. Edward M. Hayes will report to the superintendent of the recruiting service, New York City, about Feb. 15, to conduct recruits to the Dept. of Missouri and will then join his troop (S. O. Jan. 17, H. Q. A.)

6th Cavalry, Colonel David S. Gordon.

Hdqs., A. E. F. G. H. and L. Ft. Niobrara, Neb.; C. and I. Ft. McKinney, Wyo.; D. and I. Fort Yellowstone, Wyo.; E. Ft. Washakie, Wyo.—Indian troop.

The leave granted 2d Lieut. Geo. McK. Williamson is extended one month (S. O. Jan. 17, H. Q. A.)

7th Cavalry, Colonel James W. Forsyth.

Hdqs., A. C. D. E. G. H. and I. Ft. Riley, Kas.; B. and K. Ft. Sheridan, Ill.; F. Fort Myer, Va.; L. Ft. Bill, Okk. T.—Indian troop.—On detached service in Dept. of Texas.

The extension of leave granted Lieut.-Col. Guy V. Henry is further extended 4 months on surgeon's certificate (S. O. Jan. 13, H. Q. A.)

1st Lieut. Selah R. H. Tompkins will, upon the expiration of his present leave, report to the Comdg. Gen. Dept. East for assignment to the duty of conducting a detachment of military prisoners from Fort Columbus, N. Y., to Fort Leavenworth, Kas. (S. O. Jan. 16, H. Q. A.)

8th Cavalry, Colonel Caleb H. Carlton.

Hdqs., A. B. C. D. E. G. H. and I. Ft. Meade, S. D.; L. Ft. Keogh, Mont.; F. and G. Ft. Yates, N. D.; H. Ft. Myer, Va.—Indian troop.

Leave for one month, to take effect about Jan. 23, is granted Capt. Edmund Luff, Fort Meade, S. D. (S. O. 5, Jan. 11, D. Dak.)

Lieut.-Col. Edwin V. Sumner will proceed to and take station in N. Y. City, and report to Lieut.-Col. Samuel Breck, A. A. G., for duty in connection with the compilation of the Regulations (S. O. Jan. 12, H. Q. A.)

Leave for two months is granted 1st Lieut. John A. Johnston (S. O. Jan. 17, H. Q. A.)

10th Cavalry, Colonel John K. Mienner.

Hdqs., B. E. G. and K. Ft. Custer, Mont.; C. and F. Ft. Ashmun, Mont.; I. Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.; D. and H. Ft. Buford, N. D.; A. Ft. Keogh, Mont.

1st Artillery, Colonel Loomis L. Langdon.

Hdqs., A. G. I. and K. Ft. Hamilton, N. Y. H.; C. D. and I. Ft. Wadsworth, N. Y. H.; E. Ft. Sheridan, Ill. B. H. and F. Ft. Columbus, N. Y. H.; F. Ft. Monroe, Va.—Light battery.

The following transfers are made: 2d Lieut. Eugene T. Wilson, from Bat. C to F, and Sawyer Blanchard, from Bat. F to C (S. O. Jan. 14, H. Q. A.)

2nd Artillery, Colonel Richard Loder.

Hdqs., C. G. and M. Ft. Adams, R. I.; K. Ft. Trumbull, Conn.; F. Ft. Proble, Me.; B. and D. Ft. Warren, Mass.; A. and E. Ft. Riley, Kas.; I. Ft. Monroe, Va.; H. and L. Ft. Schuyler, N. Y.—Light battery.

Pursuant to a letter dated H. Q. A., Jan. 17, 1893, communicating the order of the War Department, Major Charles B. Throckmorton is directed to proceed to Fort Adams, R. I., and report to the post commander, who will assign him quarters at the remaining period of his suspension from rank and command (S. O. 13, Jan. 19, D. East.)

3rd Artillery, Colonel La Rhett L. Livingston.

Hdqs., C. E. K. and L. Washington Bks., D. C. A. and G. Fort Barrancas, Fla.; H. Key West Bks., Fla.; B. and I. Ft. Henry, Md.; B. and M. Ft. Monroe, Va.; F. Ft. Sam Houston, Tex.—Light battery.

Capt. R. D. Potts, commanding Bat. G, in a company order relieving 1st Sergt. Maurice McGrath from duty with the battery, he having been appointed an ordnance sergeant, says: "This well merited promotion comes to Sergt. McGrath after an honorable service of over 21 years in the Army and nearly 17 in Bat. G. The record of honest, faithful and efficient service which he leaves on the books of Bat. G, has rarely been equalled, and it is with great regret that the battery commander severs his connection with such an excellent non-commissioned officer and able assistant in all matters pertaining to his battery."

4th Artillery, Colonel Henry W. Closson.

Hdqs., A. C. E. G. I. K. L. and M. Ft. McPherson, Ga.; F. Ft. Riley, Kas.; H. Ft. Monroe, Va.; D. Ft. Barrancas, Fla.; B. Ft. Adams, R. I.—Light battery.

The leave granted 1st Lieut. Charles A. L. Totter is extended to include Aug. 1, 1893 (S. O. Jan. 10, H. Q. A.)

The resignation of 1st Lieut. Charles A. L. Totter has been accepted by the President, to take effect Aug. 1, 1893 (S. O. Jan. 14, H. Q. A.)

The leave granted Major George B. Rodney is extended one month (S. O. Jan. 16, H. Q. A.)

2nd Infantry, Colonel John C. Bates.

Hdqs., A. B. C. D. E. F. G. H. and I. Ft. Omaha, Neb.—Indian company.

3rd Infantry, Colonel Edwin C. Mason.

Hdqs., A. B. C. D. E. F. G. and H. Ft. Snelling, Minn.; I. Ft. Sully, S. D.—Indian company.

Leave for one month is granted Capt. John W. Hannay, Fort Snelling, Minn. (S. O. 4, Jan. 10, D. Dak.)

5th Infantry, Colonel Nathan W. Osborne.

Hdqs., D. and E. St. Francis Bks., Fla.; B. and H. Jackson Bks., La.; C. and G. Mt. Vernon Bks., Ala.; A. Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.; F. Ft. Sam Houston, Tex.

The following transfers are made: 1st Lieut. W. H. C. Bowen, from Co. K to C, and Charles J. Churchill, from Co. C to K (S. O. Jan. 16, H. Q. A.)

6th Infantry, Colonel Melville A. Cookman.

Hdqs., B. C. D. E. G. and H. Ft. Thomas, Ky.; E. Newry Barracks, Ky.; F. Ft. Wood, N. Y. H.

Under G. O. 80, of 1890, Sergt. Lawrence Gabel, Co. A, will be discharged Jan. 22 (S. O. 10, Jan. 14, D. East.)

7th Infantry, Colonel Henry C. Merriam.

Hdqs., A. B. C. D. E. and F. Ft. Logan, Colo.; G. Camp Pitts, Wyo.; H. Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.

8th Infantry, Colonel James J. Van Horn.

Hdqs., A. E. and H. Ft. McKinney, Wyo.; C. and D. Ft. Meade, Neb.; F. Ft. Washakie, Wyo.; B. and G. Ft. Niobrara, Neb.—Indian company.

Leave for two months, to take effect on or about Feb. 3, with permission to go beyond sea and to apply for an extension of four months, is granted Capt. Thomas Wilhelm, recruiting officer (S. O. Jan. 16, H. Q. A.)

Capt. Thomas Wilhelm will be relieved from recruiting duty at St. Paul, Minn., on or about Feb. 3, and will proceed to join his regiment (S. O. Jan. 16, H. Q. A.)

9th Infantry, Colonel Charles G. Barlett.

Hdqs., B. C. D. E. F. and G. Madison Bks., N. Y.; H. Plattburgh Bks., A. Fort Ontario, N. Y.

The journey from Fort Ontario to Madison Bks.

and return, performed between Jan. 10 and 18, by 1st Lieut. Wendell L. Simpson, to appear as witness before G. C. M., is approved for mileage (S. O. 11, Jan. 16, D. East.)

10th Infantry, Colonel Edward P. Pearson.
Bdgers, and Band D, Ft. Marcy, N. M.; A and F, Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.; C, San Diego, Bk. Cal.; E and G, Ft. Stanton, M. H. Ft. Wingate, N. M.; I, Ft. Bowie, A. T.—Indian company.
1st Lieut. Frederick Wooley will proceed to Providence, R. I., for temporary duty pertaining to the militia of that State (S. O., Jan. 17, H. Q. A.)
Leave for four months, to take effect about Feb. 1, is granted 1st Lieut. John H. Shollenberger (S. O., Jan. 17, H. Q. A.)

17th Infantry, Colonel Isaac D. DeRussy.
Bdgers, A, C, D and G, Whipple Barracks, A. T.; B, and E, Ft. Coles, A. T.; F, H and I, Ft. Apache, A. T.—Indian company.

24th Infantry, Colonel Montgomery Bryant.
Bdgers, C, D, and G, Ft. Sill, Okk. T.; A, Fort Reno, I. T.; E and H, Ft. Supply, I. T.; F, Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.
1st Lieut. Peter C. Harris is relieved from duty as department recruiting officer at Fort Sill, O. T., and 1st Lieut. James B. Goss, adjt., is appointed in his stead (S. O. 4, Jan. 9, D. Mo.)
Capt. Philip H. Ellis will proceed from Fort Sill, O. T., to Davis Island, N. Y., for the purpose of conducting a detachment of recruits to his regiment (S. O. 5, Jan. 11, D. Mo.)
The C. O. Davis Island, N. Y. H., will assign 40 recruits to the 13th Inf., Jan. 19, under charge of Capt. Philip H. Ellis (S. O. 9, Jan. 12, Rec. Ser.)

26th Infantry, Colonel Matthew M. Blunt.
Bdgers, A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, and I, Ft. Douglas, Utah—Indian company.
1st Lieut. Wm. Lasiter, recruiting officer, Knoxville, Tenn., will visit the temporary branch rendezvous at Greeneville, Tenn., Jan. 20 and 27, on duty connection with the recruiting service, and will join his station (S. O. 6, Jan. 9, Rec. Ser.)

19th Infantry, Colonel Simon Snyder.
Bdgers, A, E, G, and H, Ft. Wayne, Mich.; B, D and F, Ft. Mich., C, Ft. Mackinac, Mich.
Leave for one month, to take effect about Jan. 20, is granted permission to apply for an extension of three months, is granted Major Edwin M. Coates (S. O. 4, Jan. 9, D. Mo.)

20th Infantry, Colonel Elwell S. Otis.
Bdgers, A, B, D, E, F, G, and H, Ft. Assiniboine, Mont. and I, Camp Poplar River, Mont.—Indian company.

21st Infantry, Colonel Horace Jewett.
Bdgers, A, C, and E, Ft. Niagara, N. Y.; B and H, Ft. Porter, I. T.; D, F, G, and I, Ft. Sidney, Neb.—Indian company.
Capt. Willis Wittich, recruiting officer, Cincinnati, will visit the temporary branch rendezvous at Dayton, O., Jan. 10, 16, 21 and 27, and will rejoin his station (S. O. 6, Jan. 9, Rec. Ser.)
1st Lieut. Solomon E. Sparrow, adjt., and 2d Lieut. M. Morrow will proceed to Fort Porter for their duty as members of G. C. M. (S. O. 9, Jan. 10, D. East.)
Capt. Frederick H. E. Ebstien and 2d Lieut. Wm. Morrow are detailed members of the G. C. M. at Ft. Niagara (S. O. 12, Jan. 18, D. East.)

Appointments, etc., recorded in the A.-G.O., Jan. 16, 1893.

COMMISSION VACATED BY NEW APPOINTMENT.

Prof. Edward E. Wood, Military Academy, his commission as captain, 8th Cavalry, Oct. 5, 1892.

(CASUALTIES.)

Mr. Richard Lynch (retired), died Jan. 10, 1893, at Washington, D. C.

Mr. Wm. Black (retired), died Dec. 6, 1892, at Sacketts River, N. Y.

Courts-martial.

The following courts have been ordered:
Fort Apache, A. T., Jan. 12. Detail: Capt. Albert G. 1st Cav.; Francis W. Mansfield and Ralph W. Hoyt, 1st Inf.; and Nathan S. Jarvis, adjt. 1st Lieut. Zou B. Vance, Jr., and Waldo E. Ayer and 2d Lieut. Arthur Johnson and Edward A. Shute, 11th Inf.; and Lieut. Robert C. Williams, 1st Cav., J. A. (S. O. 4, Jan. 6, Rec. Ser.)

Whipple Bks., A. T., Jan. 13. Detail: Col. Isaac D. DeRussy, 17th Inf.; Majors Benjamin F. Pope, surg.; James H. Ford, 11th Inf., and Louis M. Maas, surg.; Capt. Leon Leslie and James E. Macklin, 1st Lieut. Pierce M. B. and Clarence E. Dentler and 2d Lieut. Wm. Weigelt, 1st Inf., and 2d Lieut. Odon Gurovitz, 11th Inf., J. A. (S. O. 7, D. Ariz.)

Fort Robinson, Neb., Jan. 16. Detail: Major Chas. S. 7th Cav.; John S. Loud, John F. Gullfoyle and Matthias 8th Cav.; 1st Lieut. John J. Haden and Edgar H. 5th Inf., and Jas. A. Swift, 9th Cav.; 2d Lieut. Harry 9th Cav.; Jacques de L. Lafitte, 8th Inf.; Matthew 9th Cav.; David P. Cordray, 8th Inf., and Julian 9th Cav.; and Howard R. Hickok, 9th Cav., and 1st Lieut. B. Jackson, 9th Cav., J. A. (S. O. 3, Jan. 9, D. Platte.)

Fort Missoula, Mont., Jan. 16. Detail: Maj. Chambers 11th Inf.; Capt. Washington I. Sanborn, David B. Wilson, 1st Lieut. Hodges and George Andrews, 1st Lieut. John 11th Inf.; Thomas H. McGuire, Vernon A. Caldwell 11th Inf.; J. A. (S. O. 3, Jan. 9, D. Dak.)

Fort Snelling, Minn., Jan. 16. Detail: Major John H. 1st Inf.; Capt. Charles Hobart and Melville C. Wilkinson, 1st Inf.; Ernest V. Smith, Peter Murray, Paul A. Wolf, 1st Inf.; H. Morford and James T. Moore, 3d Inf., and 2d Lieut. H. McRae, 3d Inf., J. A. (S. O. 5, Jan. 11, D. Dak.)

Fort Meade, S. D., Jan. 18. Detail: Major Almond B. 1st Cav.; Henry W. Sprole, Quincy O'M. Gilmore and F. Kendall, 1st Lieut. Wm. F. Flynn and Robert J. 1st Lieut. Ulysses G. Kemp, Richard L. Livermore and 2d Lieut. Kirkpatrick, 8th Cav., and 1st Lieut. John A. 8th Cav., J. A. (S. O. 6, Jan. 12, D. Dak.)

Fort Sidney, Neb., Jan. 19. Detail: Capt. Wm. H. 21st Inf.; Louis S. Tesson, adjt. surg., and Francis E. 21st Inf.; 1st Lieut. Lawrence J. Hearn, 1st Inf.; 2d Lieut. Samuel Sear, 1st Inf., and Dennis M. Michie 21st Inf.; J. A. (S. O. 4, Jan. 12, D. Platte.)

Jackson Bks., La., Jan. 19. Detail: Lieut. Col. Wm. L. 1st Inf.; Capt. Mason Carter and Theodore F. Forbes, 1st 1st Inf.; John C. Tilton and 2d Lieut. James Baylies, 8th 8th Inf.; and 2d Lieut. Luis Wahl, 8th Inf., J. A. (S. O. 9, Jan. 10, D. East.)

Fort Wayne, Mich., Jan. 16. Detail: Capt. Jacob H. 1st Cav.; Charles A. Vernon, Charles B. Hall, Cornelius G. 1st Cav.; and Theodore H. Eckerson, 1st Lieut. Edw. P. Lawton, 1st Cav.; Truman O. Murphy, Jasper E. Brady, Jr., and 2d Lieut. Ronayne, 10th Inf., and 1st Lieut. Andrew S. Rowan, 10th Inf., J. A. (S. O. 6, Jan. 18, D. Mo.)

Fort McHenry, Md., Jan. 17. Detail: Major Joseph G. 1st Cav.; Capt. James M. Lancaster and Edw. C. Knower, 1st Cav.; Joseph M. Calif, John D. C. Hopkins and Henry

H. Ludlow, 3d Art., and 2d Lieut. Kenneth Morton, 3d Art., J. A. (S. O. 10, Jan. 14, D. East.)

At Fort Thomas, Ky., Jan. 23. Detail: Capt. Jeremiah P. Schindel and George B. Walker, 1st Lieut. Chas. G. Morton and Simore F. Taggart, and 2d Lieut. Harry H. Bandholtz, Palmer E. Pierce and Willard E. Gleason, 6th Inf., and 2d Lieut. George A. Detchmeyer, 8th Inf., J. A. (S. O. 12, Jan. 18, D. East.)

At Fort Columbus, N. Y. H., Jan. 23. Detail: Capt. Abner H. Merrill and Gilbert P. Cotton, 1st Lieut. Henry M. Andrews, Wm. C. Rafferty and George W. Van Deusen, 2d 2d Lieut. Frank H. Harris, 1st Art., and 1st Lieut. Adam Blaker, 1st Art., J. A. (S. O. 13, Jan. 19, D. East.)

Army Boards.

The Board of Officers convened at Fort Riley, Kas., for the examination of officers to determine their fitness for promotion, is dissolved (S. O., Jan. 12, H. Q. A.)

The Board of Officers convened at the following places for the examination of officers to determine their fitness for promotion, are dissolved, viz.: Fort Thomas, Ky.; Governor's Island, N. Y. City; San Antonio, Tex., and Ft. Monroe, Va. (S. O., Jan. 14, H. Q. A.)

The Court of Inquiry convened in Washington, D. C., will, upon the completion of the introduction of testimony and the arguments of counsel, repair to New York City and there complete its proceedings (S. O., Jan. 17, H. Q. A.)

Assignments of Officers.

The following assignments to regiments of officers recently promoted are ordered:

1st Lieut. Charles T. Mencher (promoted from 2d Lieut., 1st Art.), to the 3d Art., Bat. 2, to date from Dec. 23, 1892, vice Eaton, appointed captain, A. Q. M.

1st Lieut. Bentley Mott (promoted from 2d Lieut., 1st Art.), to the 2d Art., Bat. D, to date from Dec. 23, 1892, vice Dudley, appointed captain, A. Q. M.

1st Lieut. Gustave W. Stevens (promoted from 2d Lieut., 5th Art.), to the 1st Art., to date from Dec. 23, 1892, vice Bliss, appointed captain, C. S. He is assigned to Bat. I, 1st Art., and will remain on duty with Light Bat. F, 5th Art., until further orders.

The following assignments of additional 2d lieutenants to vacancies of 2d lieutenant are announced:

1st Lieut. Sawyer Blanchard, 1st Art., to be 2d Lieut., 1st Art., Bat. F, Dec. 23, 1892, with rank from June 11, 1892, vice Mencher, promoted.

1st Lieut. Wm. Chamberlaine, 2d Art., to be 2d Lieut., 1st Art., Bat. I, Dec. 23, 1892, with rank from June 11, 1892, vice Mott, promoted. He will remain on duty with Bat. G, 2d Art., until further orders (S. O., Jan. 14, H. Q. A.)

Transfers.

The following transfers of officers are ordered, to take effect this date:

1st Lieut. Charles F. Parker, from the 1st Art. to the 2d Art., Bat. B.

1st Lieut. T. Bentley Mott, from the 2d Art. to the 1st Art., Light Bat. K (S. O., Jan. 14, H. Q. A.)

Funeral Services of Ex-President R. B. Hayes.

The following officers will proceed to Fremont, Ohio, and attend the funeral of the late ex-President Rutherford B. Hayes, and on the conclusion of the funeral obsequies will return to their stations in Washington, D. C.: Brig.-Gen. Joseph C. Breckinridge, I. G.; Col. Geo. D. Ruggles, A. A. G.; Lieut.-Col. Marshall L. Ludington, D. Q. M. G.; Lieut.-Col. H. C. Corbin, A. A. G., and Capt. Tasker H. Bliss, A. D. C. to the Major-General Commanding the Army (S. O., Jan. 17, H. Q. A.)

Pay by Express.—When necessary to send the pay of soldiers by express, the Secretary of War approves the following: "The paymaster will inclose each soldier's due in a separate sealed envelope bearing the soldier's name, organization to which he is attached and amount enclosed. All the envelopes belonging to the same organization will be enclosed in a wrapper directed to the company or detachment commander. These several wrappers will compose a single package, to be sent by express to the post commander for appropriate distribution at the post: first to the respective company and detachment commanders and by them to the individual enlisted men of their command. The company or detachment commander should in every case personally see that the remittances are correct."—(Letter P. M. G. O., Dec. 18, 1892.)

CLERICAL USURY.

To the Editor of the Army and Navy Journal:

The following is from the Kansas City Times of Jan. 14:

Notwithstanding the efforts made by Army authorities to stamp out the long practiced system of usury in the Army, which have met with considerable success, it is reported that at some of the department headquarters chief clerks of the general service detachments continue to practice this to considerable extent. A little inquiry in this direction may develop some startling facts.

Personally, I have no knowledge at this time of the practice in question, but I do know that over a quarter of a century ago I, and several of my fellow clerks, afflicted with impecuniosity, swelled the coffers of the then chief clerk. I simply refer to the matter as the allegation is somewhat sweeping, and in the hope that if the practice in question does exist, this letter in your widely read journal may help to effectually break it up.

Very respectfully, JOHN S. POWER,
Chief Clerk, A. G. O.

HQRS. DEPT. OF THE EAST, GOVERNOR'S HOTEL, Jan. 18, 1893.

ALCATRAZ ISLAND, CAL.

The military convicts confined on Alcatraz Island attacked Prison Sgt. Duffy Jan. 12 and were only prevented from killing him by the interference of an armed guard. His treatment of them is said to have been very harsh.

WASHINGTON BARRACKS.

The essays selected to be read during the current lyceum season at Washington Barracks are:

Proper command for field service, Lieut. W. E. Birkhimer; Artillery Organization, Lieut. Hobbs; Light Artillery—its proper use in action, Capt. Turnbull; Smokeless Powder on the Battlefield, Capt. Lancaster; Organization and Training of the Personnel for service of Submarine Gun, Capt. Smith; The Training of Artillery Officers, Capt. Chester; The Rehearsal before the Play, Capt. Hess; Part played by the Navy in Harbor Defence, Capt. O'Hara; The Defence of Washington in the War of the Rebellion, Capt. Matton; The Rectification of our Northern boundary, considered as a Military frontier, Lieut. Williams; A Study in Field Artillery, Lieut. Hoskins; What are the Essentials for accurate fire of Seacoast Guns against Moving Vessels, Lt. Ludlow; The Evolution of the High-power Gun, Lieut. Woodward; The Enlisted Man, Lieut. Rumbough; Our Modern Heavy Artillery, Lieut. March; Vulnerable parts of Modern Ships, Lieut. Todd; The respective roles to be taken by the Army and Navy in Coast Defence, Lieut. Hamilton; The Seacoast and its Artillery of the U. S., Lieut. Mauldin; Railways—utilization in time of war, Lieut. Keppart.

(Correspondence of the Army and Navy Journal.)

NAVAL ACADEMY.

ANNAPOLIS, MD., Jan. 17, 1893.

The cadet hop Saturday evening was a very brilliant affair, and was largely attended. Mrs. Lieut. Hawley assisted by Cadet Douglas, received.

Next week all the classes will be occupied with the semi-annual examinations. The results are awaited with anxiety by many, as an unusual large number have been warned as liable to be found deficient.

Naval Cadet Johnson, 2d Class, has been honorably acquitted, by the Court-martial, of the charge of hazing.

Major George B. Rodney, 4th Art., U. S. A., has been spending a few days at the Academy visiting his son, Cadet Warren Rodney, 1st Class.

Mr. W. Browne-Randolph, of New York, has been spending a few days at the Academy visiting friends and former classmates.

Miss Lahens, of New York, is visiting Comdr. and Mrs. Chester.

Miss McDonald, of Rochester, N. Y., is visiting Comdr. and Mrs. Craig.

Miss Farquhar, of Washington, daughter of Capt. Farquhar, is visiting Lieut. and Mrs. Benson.

A fire occurred in a wooden building situated in the city near the upper gate on Sunday afternoon. The cadet fire brigade promptly responded and soon had the fire under control. Although the city fire department arrived first on the scene they were practically helpless, as their hose froze immediately after making connections.

(Correspondence of the Army and Navy Journal.)

ANGEL ISLAND, CAL.

It is expected that Capt. Dougherty will be ordered to Round Valley as Indian agent shortly. The Fish Commissioner also desires the assistance of the captain, who rendered great assistance in building hatchery, etc., while in command at Fort Gaston, Cal. Capt. Dougherty has a fine record as agent at San Carlos, Ariz., and at Gaston, Cal., and has done as much if not more than any one to expose and show up some of the peculiar workings of civilian agents, etc., of the Indian Bureau; wherever Capt. Dougherty has come in contact with the Indian troubles have ceased and they have all been well pleased and happy under his administration.

Lieut. Winn has returned from recruiting service at Sacramento, Cal., and will take charge of post school. Lieut. Vordes has succeeded Lieut. Winn at Sacramento as regimental recruiting officer.

Col. Shafter has returned from his ranch in Kern Co., Cal. He is enjoying excellent health after his trip.

Capt. Armstrong, 1st Inf., on sick leave has changed base from Yuma, Arizona, to Los Angeles, Cal., where he is putting up at the Hotel Nadeau.

Major Bentzoni has applied for a year's sick leave for purpose of visiting some of the German spas.

The powers that are have decided, after being under fire of Methodist conventions and what not, that on account of spiritual famine at this place the post chaplain at Alcatraz Island shall visit us the second Sunday every month. Accordingly the Q. M. steamer McDowell makes an extra trip on that day, much to the delight of the crew, who heretofore have had Sunday as a day of rest. Persons desiring to attend divine service have been able to do so easily in San Francisco. If these good people would only let us work out our own salvation they would save lots of trouble.

Capt. Tisdell, 1st Inf., is expected daily from leave of absence after two years' tour of recruiting duty at Philadelphia, Pa. Co. H (skeleton) is the captain's command, but it is expected that he will take command of G, whose captain (Pierce) is at Chicago on recruiting service.

The lyceum has proved a success and has been taken up with enthusiasm; it meets every Wednesday at 7 P. M. The following are subjects of recitation on months set opposite their title: October, Army Regulations; November, Infantry Drill; December, Minor Tactics; January, Minor Tactics; February, Field Engineering; March, Field Engineering; March, Military Topography. Course terminates March 31, 1893.

The following essays have been assigned to officers named with approval of department commander, viz.: Capt. Dougherty, Clothing and Equipment, Dec. 7; Capt. Armstrong, Military Law, Dec. 14; Capt. Barr, National Guard, California, Dec. 21; Lieut. Garrison, U. S. A., Past, Present and Future, Dec. 28; Lieut. Brant, Target Practice in the Army, Jan. 4, 1893; Lieut. Strother, Infantry Attacks and Defence, Jan. 11; Lieut. Connolly, Effectiveness and Control of Troops in Action, Jan. 18; Lieut. Faison, Outposts, Jan. 25; Lieut. Ferria, New English Infantry Tactics, Feb. 1; 2d Lieut. Cloman, Military Mining, Feb. 8; 2d Lieut. Smith, Fortifications, Feb. 15.

From interest shown already on subjects read, and value and originality of essays already read, these subjects will, no doubt be handled in a masterly manner, and valuable information gathered that will be well worthy of preservation. Doctor Hall, our new post surgeon, is rapidly becoming a favorite with everyone, especially on account of his skill and kindness at all times and places, and under all circumstances.

Considerable difference of opinion exists relative to post exchange. Many would like to see it, and others think it unnecessary. Thus far, however, it has been decided not to have one. As it is the men have some money left after paying what they owe on pay day, whereas some of the companies now here, but sometimes at Bonita Barracks, had numbers of men who left their whole pay with cashier every pay day, individual bills amounting to as much as \$30 per month. The colonel of the regiment had this stopped as soon as it came to his notice. The companies have cigars, etc., on sale, and with one exception make from \$50 to \$70 per month from this source, and the billiard tables, which help company messes out. But for the beer there is no need, and, coming down to hard facts, the only real sale for the post exchange is to furnish beer.

(Correspondence of the Army and Navy Journal.)

FOOTBALL AT VANCOUVER BARRACKS.

On Saturday, Jan. 7, there was a very exciting game of football between the Washington State Deaf Mute School and the 14th Infantry, resulting in the score of 14 to 4 in the 14th's favor. They played partly with the new tactics, of which their opponents knew little. Their wedges were especially invincible, gaining from ten to fifteen yds. each. The fighting 14th still keeps up its reputation.

(Correspondence of the Army and Navy Journal.)

SECOND COMPTROLLER'S DECISIONS.

In the case of Dominick Glynn, Acting Boatwain, U. S. Navy, Second Comptroller Glynn has decided that "an officer of the Navy who receives an order for duty on board of a vessel on a foreign station is entitled, by the act of May 5, 1882, to his actual expenses while awaiting the arrival of the ship to which he may be assigned, provided the detention is involuntary."

Second Comptroller Glynn has advised the War Department that newspapers, periodicals, magazines and books other than reference books are not properly chargeable to "contingent expenses for Army Headquarters and headquarters of the military departments." He has approved the accounts hitherto paid for these articles, but has advised disbursing officers that payments of a like character will hereafter be disallowed.

The U. S. S. Boston, at Honolulu, sailed for Hilo, on the island of Hawaii, Jan. 3, and expected to return to Honolulu about Jan. 15, to take up her place in "Navy Row" again.

PERSONAL ITEMS.

PAY INSPECTOR GEO. W. BEAMAN, U. S. N., has arrived in the East from Mare Island, Cal.

COMMANDER W. M. FOLGER, U. S. N., is a recent guest at the Murray Hill Hotel, New York City.

THE New York Sun devotes three columns to an able review of Capt. Mahan's "Sea Power in History."

THE recent trial of Vice Admiral Fairfax, R. N., is the first court-martial of a British flag officer in 18 years, the last being the trial of Rear Admiral G. G. Randolph.

LIEUTENANT A. V. WADHAMS, U. S. Navy, was one of the speakers at a complimentary dinner given Jan. 13 by the Aldine Club, N. Y. City, to F. Marlon Crawford, the novelist.

ASSISTANT NAVAL CONSTRUCTOR GEORGE HENRY ROCK, U. S. Navy, was married Jan. 5, at Newark, N. J., to Miss Edith Gertrude Neumann, daughter of Mr. Albert C. Neumann.

AMONG the new members recently admitted to the Navy Mutual Aid Association are P. A. Engr. F. O. Bieg and Asst. Engr. C. N. Olney. They were admitted at the meeting held on Jan. 13.

FRIDAY evening, Dec. 23, the officers of the coast survey steamer *Hastler* and fish commission steamer *Albatross* tendered a joint reception to the residents of Vallejo, Cal., held in the sail-loft at Mare Island.

P. A. ENGINEER MARTIN BEVINGTON, U. S. N., reported to the president of the Naval Examining Board at Philadelphia early the present week for the examination required by law as a prerequisite to promotion.

WHILE waiting for the U. S. S. *Bancroft* to fit for sea, Passed Assistant Surgeon H. N. T. Harris, U. S. Navy, has been assigned to temporary duty in the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery.

PASSED ASSISTANT ENGINEER H. P. NORTON, U. S. Navy, was in Washington last week en route to Philadelphia for examination for promotion. Mr. Norton will rejoin his ship, the *Concord*, at Norfolk on the completion of his present duty.

COMMODORE W. T. SAMPTON, U. S. N., has leased the old Graham mansion on G street, Washington, for a term of years, and is refitting it for early occupancy. The house is the property of Lieut. I. G. Davenport, U. S. N.

It has been learned at the Navy Department that the health of Chief Engineer F. G. McKean, U. S. Navy, of the *Boston*, has not improved since his arrival at Honolulu, and it is feared that the semi-tropical climate of the "Paradise of the Pacific" may not be suited for him.

LIEUTENANT ALBERT GLEAVES, U. S. N., arrived in Washington during the week, having been detached from the *Boston* at Honolulu the latter part of December. At the expiration of three months' leave of absence it is likely that Lieut. Gleaves will receive an assignment to shore duty in Washington.

Now that the official trials of the *Montecrey* have been so satisfactorily concluded Chief Engr. R. W. Milligan, U. S. N., will return East and enjoy a well earned leave of absence. It is understood that Mr. Milligan is an applicant for a position as a member of the Board of Naval Examiners at Philadelphia.

At the 115th meeting of the Board of Directors of the Navy Mutual Aid on Saturday last Paymr. Stephen Rand, U. S. N., was re-elected to the office of secretary and treasurer for the coming year. The Finance Committee is now composed of Paymr. J. R. Carmody, Lieut. Comdr. J. N. Hemphill and Chief Engr. H. Webster.

MRS. HOES, the wife of Chaplain R. R. Hoes, U. S. Navy, has left Honolulu and come to the coast where she will await her husband later in the spring. Chaplain Hoes has done a large amount of valuable work for the Hawaiian Government, at the request of Her Majesty Queen Liliuokalani, and will probably remain at the Capital until his affairs are settled by the Hawaiian Treasury Department.

SEAMAN GUNNER A. E. LOW, of New York, attached to the torpedo station, had a very narrow escape from drowning Jan. 12. Just after the 10 p. m., launch had left Newport, R. I., Low rushed down to the dock, which was covered with ice, and jumped over into the water through three inches of ice. Two fort soldiers heard the splash and succeeded in lassoing him with a rope. Low now lies at the police station in a dangerous condition.

A London correspondent of the New York *Herald* has learned, on very good authority, that Prince George of Wales is seriously contemplating a trip to America during the coming spring in order to participate in the naval review in New York Harbor. If he comes he will be escorted by several men-of-war, and it is probable a large squadron of battleships and cruisers will be sent over in advance to receive him.

THE Merrimac Club, of Norfolk, Va., in a set of resolutions touching the death of an esteemed member, Asst. Constr. Wm. Newton Vansant, U. S. N., say: "Scarce 24 years old, in the first flush of manhood, beloved by those with whom his life threw him into association, graduated first in his class in the great schools of his profession in this country and in Europe, and since then, standing among the front and flower of that profession, modest of demeanor and courteous of manner, he has been cut down by the grim reaper."

THE San Francisco *Bulletin* says: "The General Order of the Secretary of the Navy, which has been read from the quarterdeck of every ship in the United States Service to the assembled officers and crew, tendering the thanks of the nation to Miss Bessie McDougal for services rendered on the occasion of the recent explosion at Mare Island Navy-yard, will be appreciated by Californians. Miss McDougal is at present the guest of friends in Washington, D. C. She is a granddaughter of the late Admiral McDougal, and daughter of the late Comdr. McDougal. She has always been a general favorite in society circles at Mare Island and has a host of friends and acquaintances in this city."

LIEUTENANT FRANKLIN J. DRAKE and Mrs. Drake are pleasantly located at 25 Lafayette Square, Washington, D. C., where they will remain until Spring. Lieut. Drake is in Washington on duty connected with the ordnance outfit of the *Montgomery*, to which vessel he will be ordered as executive.

ENSIGN A. P. NIBLOCK has successfully passed his physical examination for promotion. There can be no doubt as to professional examination, for there is no brighter young officer in the service. It was feared at one time that the Navy would lose the services of this valuable officer, and there is consequently rejoicing among his friends that his second attempt before the Medical Board has been successful.

In raising a sunken launch of the *Adams* at Mare Island on Christmas morning, the rope, used in hoisting the launch, parted, and the boom, with the launch heavily weighted with water and mud, fell upon the head of a man named Rangold, knocking him senseless and into the river. Assistant Surgeon Corderio, U. S. N., surgeon of the *Adams*, who was passing at the time, threw off his coat and jumping into the stream brought the limp form of Rangold to the surface, where he was tenderly cared for by shipmates until conveyed to the hospital. Rangold suffered from a fractured skull, and his condition was considered very serious.

CHAPLAIN MOSES N. ADAMS, U. S. A., retired, is at Goodwill, S. D.

SIR GARNET WOLSELEY is spoken of as the next Governor General of Canada.

COLONEL J. N. G. WHISTLER, U. S. A., retired, is spending the winter at Ridgeland, Mont.

LIEUTENANT W. BLACK, 24th U. S. Inf., is a recent guest of Capt. Philip Reade, U. S. A., at Springfield, Ill.

MAJOR J. H. CALEF, U. S. A., commandant of Ft. Trumbull, Conn., left that post on Sunday last on a few days' leave.

COLONEL E. P. VOLLUM, U. S. A., is spending the winter abroad. His address is 61 Old Broad street, London, England.

COLONEL L. L. LANGDON, 1st U. S. Art., commandant of Ft. Hamilton, N. Y. H., left there on Monday on a short post leave.

GENERAL ALEXANDER SHAHER has been elected president of the New York City Association of Union ex-Prisoners of War.

LIEUTENANT J. M. PARTELLO, 5th U. S. Infantry, has assumed charge of the recruiting rendezvous at 224 St. Clair street, Toledo, Ohio.

BATTERIES A and G, 3d U. S. Artillery, duly arrived at Fort Barrancas, Fla., this week, and Capt. James Cheater has assumed command of the post.

CAPTAIN H. L. HASKELL, 23d U. S. Inf., is a recent visitor to old friends in New York City. He came East with the remains of the late Lieut.-Col. Drum.

CAPTAIN E. L. ZALINSKI, 6th U. S. Artillery, registered his name on Sunday last at the New York *Herald* Office, 49 Avenue de l'Opera, Paris, France.

CAPTAIN T. F. FORBES and Lieut. James Baylies, 5th U. S. Infantry, of Mt. Vernon Barracks, Ala., paid a pleasant visit this week to Jackson Barracks and New Orleans.

THE Secretary of War and Mrs. Elkins gave a tea on Monday afternoon in honor of Miss Campbell, daughter of ex-Governor Campbell, of Ohio, who is the guest of Miss Elkins.

ORDNANCE SERGEANT S. A. KEENEY, U. S. A., recently promoted from 1st sergeant, Battery D, 1st Artillery, has changed station from Fort Wadsworth, N. Y., to Fort Adams, R. I.

LIEUTENANT G. B. DAVIS, 23d U. S. Infantry, lately on recruiting service at Fort Worth, Texas, was expected in Annapolis this week to report to the Governor of Maryland for temporary duty with the State militia.

LIEUTENANT F. C. MARSHALL, 8th U. S. Cav., since taking command of Casey's scouts at Ft. Keogh, has succeeded in doubling the enlisted strength of his command, the troop having now 45 members, with good prospects of filling it to its maximum strength in the near future.

A NEWTON, KAN., despatch of recent date says: The town is filled with soldiers to-day. Co. G, 10th U. S. Infantry, under command of Lieut. Robert L. Bullard, is being transferred from Fort Reno and Fort Stanton, and the boys in blue are laid over in this city between trains.

CAPTAIN W. H. MILLER, U. S. A., general manager of the Army Department of the Mass. Mutual Life Insurance Co., is visiting his cousin, D. B. Martin, general passenger agent of the Big Four Railway, at the latter's home, Mount Auburn, Cincinnati, Ohio. Capt. Miller goes to the annual meeting of the Mass. Mutual Life at Springfield, Mass., on Jan. 17.

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL G. M. STERNBERG, Deputy Surgeon General, U. S. A., who has many professional duties to attend to other than those pertaining to his position as attending surgeon, New York City, is soon to have as assistant Capt. Guy L. Edie, assistant surgeon, who is preparing to leave Fort Niobrara for the East.

COLONEL E. F. TOWNSEND, 12th U. S. Infantry, in his annual report of the progress, etc., of the Infantry and Cavalry School, says: "It gives me great pleasure to call the special attention of the War Department to the ability and attention to duty shown by 1st Lieut. W. S. Scott, 1st Cavalry, secretary of the school, who has devoted all his energies to insure its success."

LIEUTENANT W. S. SCOTT, 1st U. S. Cav., contributes to the Chicago *Graphic* of Dec. 31 an excellent article, illustrated, on the "United States Infantry and Cavalry School at Fort Leavenworth." Among the illustrations are a portrait of Col. Townsend, the commandant, Lieut. Scott himself, the adjutant, an infantry drill, the student class of 1891-92, and the various public buildings of the school and post.

CAPTAIN JULIUS H. PATEKI, U. S. A., retired, is spending the winter at Asheville, N. C.

CAPTAIN T. W. JONES, 10th U. S. Cavalry, is still at Raleigh, N. C., on duty with the North Carolina militia.

GENERAL A. V. KAUTE, U. S. Army, is en route to Tacoma, Washington, to spend a portion of the winter.

LIEUTENANT C. L. BEST, Jr., 1st U. S. Artillery, left Fort Hamilton, N. Y. H., on Tuesday of this week on a short post leave.

ADJUTANT J. B. GOR, 18th U. S. Infantry, a recent arrival at Fort Sill, O. T., has taken charge of recruiting matters there.

MAJOR EDWIN COATES, 19th U. S. Infantry, was expected to leave Fort Mackinac, Mich., this week to spend until May next on leave.

CAPTAIN J. W. PULLMAN, U. S. A., on a few weeks' leave from Fort Monroe, Va., is visiting at 518 14th street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

LIEUTENANT LOTUS NILES, 2d U. S. Artillery, of Fort Adams, R. I., has relinquished duty on the regimental recruiting service.

ADJUTANT S. E. SPARROW and Lieut. W. M. Morrow, 21st U. S. Infantry, were visitors in Buffalo and at Fort Porter, N. Y., this week.

LIEUTENANT C. C. CLARK, 9th U. S. Infantry, has arrived at Fort Ontario, N. Y., and is now on duty with Bowman's company at that post.

CAPTAIN E. L. SWIFT, Assistant Surgeon, U. S. A., on leave from Fort Yates, has, for address, care W. W. Capera, 26 Broadway, N. Y. City.

LIEUTENANT EDGAR RUSSEL, 3d U. S. Artillery, spending a few weeks in the North before joining Burbank's light battery at San Antonio.

CAPTAIN W. B. BANISTER, Assistant Surgeon, U. S. Army, and bride will join next week at Washington Barracks, D. C., where a hearty welcome awaits them.

CAPTAIN JAMES O'HARA, 3d U. S. Artillery, with Battery H of that regiment, arrived at Key West, Fla., this week and has assumed command of the post.

LIEUTENANT CLARENCE DEEMS, 4th U. S. Artillery, visited Columbus, Ohio, early in the week to conduct a squad of recruits from the barracks to Fort McPherson, Ga.

CAPTAIN J. M. LANCASTER and Lieuts. J. D. C. Hoskins and H. H. Ludlow, 3d U. S. Art., of Washington Bks., D. C., were visitors at Fort McHenry, Md., this week.

LIEUTENANT A. C. MERRILLAT, 8th U. S. Cavalry, on sick leave from Fort Myer, will try the efficacy of the treatment at the Army and Navy Hospital at Hot Springs, Ark.

MAJOR J. C. G. HAPPESETT, Surgeon, U. S. A., on leave until March next from Fort Keogh, has for his present address, care of A. G. O., Washington District of Columbia.

GENERAL HORACE PORTER, formerly of the U. S. Army, has been elected president of the Union League Club, N. Y. City, in succession to the Hon. Chauncey M. Depew.

CAPTAIN H. A. GREENE, 20th U. S. Infantry, who has been on leave at Matteawan, New Jersey, since September last, was expected to rejoin this week at Camp Poplar River, Mont.

CAPTAIN J. F. KELLEY, 10th U. S. Cavalry, recently in St. Louis, left there early in the week in charge of a squad of recruits for cavalry service in Montana and North Dakota.

CAPTAIN PHILIP H. ELLIS, 13th U. S. Infantry, visited in New York City this week en route to Davis Island, N. Y. H., to take charge of a squad of recruits assigned to his regiment.

LIEUTENANT J. E. MAXFIELD, Signal Corps, U. S. Army, had a consultation with Gen. Wheaton recently in regard to the field telegraph line from Fort McIntosh down the Rio Grande, and afterward left for Laredo.

CAPTAIN W. C. MANNING, 23d U. S. Infantry, who has been spending the winter on leave and has lately been visiting at 1,009 New Hampshire avenue, Washington, D. C., is expected to rejoin at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, early in February.

CAPTAIN WM. BAIRD, 6th Cavalry, and Lieut. M. F. Jamar, 13th Inf., and Guy H. Preston, 9th Cav., who have been added to the staff of Maj.-Gen. Miles for duty with the World's Columbian Exposition, are expected in Chicago this week.

LIEUTENANT M. F. DAVIS, 4th U. S. Cavalry, recently in New York City before the Examining Board for transfer to the Ordnance Department, is spending a few days on leave before rejoining Wood's troop at the Presidio of San Francisco.

COLONEL GUY V. HENRY, U. S. A., to whose serious indisposition we have heretofore referred, is improving, and for further recuperation will spend a few months on leave, most of it in the South. During his absence the post of Fort Myer will be commanded by Capt. J. M. Bell, 7th Cav.

CAPTAIN GEO. W. H. STOUCH, 3d U. S. Infantry, selected for duty as Indian agent at the Sisseton and Wahpeton Agency, South Dakota, is admirably fitted by practical experience for the position. Lieut. 1st Lieut. McAnaney, 8th Cav., selected for similar duty, he rose from the ranks. Lieut. McAnaney had a varied practical Army experience since 1870 and is well equipped for the position.

GENERAL MARTIN T. McMAHON, Grand Marshal of the inauguration parade at Washington, D. C., to take place on March 4 next, has selected Gen. Wm. D. Whipple, U. S. A., as his chief of staff and Col. H. C. Corbin, U. S. A., as his adjutant-general for the occasion. Gen. McMahon has chosen the right men for the right places, as shown by past experiences of large city parades. Gen. Whipple is expected in New York early next week to attend the installation on Jan. 24 of George Washington Post 108, G. A. R., of which he is the commander.

CAPTAIN W. W. DAUGHERTY, 23d U. S. Infantry, awaiting retirement, is at Riverview, Utah.

LIEUTENANT L. DANIEL, 6th U. S. Cav., and Mrs. Daniel are recent visitors in Miles City, Mont.

LIEUTENANT C. D. RHODES, 6th U. S. Cav., and Mrs. Rhodes are recent arrivals at Ft. Niobrara.

GENERAL W. B. BATE, a veteran of the Mexican War, has been re-elected U. S. Senator from Tennessee.

LIEUTENANT HERMAN HALL, 4th U. S. Inf., of Ft. Sherman, is spending a few weeks' leave in St. Louis.

COLONEL THOS. F. BARR, U. S. A., left Governor's Island this week on a brief visit to relatives in New Hampshire.

GENERAL B. H. GRIERSON, U. S. Army, is a recent visitor to old friends in San Antonio, en route to his ranch near Fort Davis, Tex.

The Adjutant-General of the Army has purchased 200 copies of Lieut. H. C. Hale's Post Map for distribution throughout the Army.

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL GEORGE A. PURINGTON, 3d U. S. Cav., has returned to Fort McIntosh, Texas, from a visit to his home in Fosteria, O.

According to late accounts from Ft. Leavenworth, Mrs. Townsend, wife of Col. E. F. Townsend, 12th U. S. Inf., who has been seriously ill, is somewhat better.

CAPTAIN C. E. WOODRUFF, Assistant Surgeon, U. S. Army, publishes in the Journal of the Medical Association for December, 1892, an article on the U. S. Army Ration and Military Food.

LIEUTENANT C. F. PARKER, recently transferred from the 1st to the 2d Artillery, changes base from Ft. Hamilton, N. Y. H., to Ft. Warren, Mass., for duty with Taylor's battery.

MAJOR GENERAL O. O. HOWARD, U. S. A., spoke on "Patriotism and Manhood" at the closing session in New York on Tuesday of the 11th annual convention of the Church Temperance Society.

LIEUTENANT F. M. CALDWELL, 3d U. S. Cav., is a recent visitor in San Antonio. He has not yet fully recovered his health, says the *Express*, and will probably go to Hot Springs, Ark., for a course of treatment.

LIEUTENANT M. W. ROWELL, 10th U. S. Cavalry, and bride are recent visitors at Old Point Comfort; from there they go to Lieut. Rowell's home in New England and thence to Fort Custer, Mont., early in February.

GOVERNOR'S ISLAND residents were much rejoiced this week to learn that the old landing place for their ferry steamer on the north side of South Ferry is to be restored to them forthwith. Passengers to and from Ellis Island are to be provided for elsewhere.

The Milwaukee *Telegraph* publishes with well-deserved encomiums a paper on Indians and Indian fighting by Capt. Chas. Morton, 3d U. S. Cav., read about two years ago before the Musical and Literary Society of Eagle Pass, Tex. Capt. Morton is at present on recruiting duty at Milwaukee.

LIEUTENANT C. A. L. TOTTON, 4th U. S. Art., now at New Haven, Conn., on leave will prolong it until Aug. 1 next, and then quit the Service by resignation. We shall be sorry to lose Lieut. Totton, for he is an excellent officer and a sensible man, when he confines himself to mundane things. It is only when he wrestles with prophecy that he gets thrown. But "who is sufficient for these things?"

COLONEL J. G. C. LEE, U. S. A., recently promoted to lieutenant colonel and Deputy Q. M. General, recently entertained a few of his friends in honor of the event. Mrs. Lee and Miss Lee received the guests. At 11 p. m. a delightful repast was served, followed by toasts and sentiments of congratulation. Among those who spoke was Gen. A. McD. McCook, who paid a warm and deserved tribute to the soldierly worth and deserts of the host. The evening was a most delightful one to all who were present.

LIEUTENANT MELVIN L. ROWELL, 10th U. S. Cav., was married Jan. 11, at Grace Church, Newark, N. J., to Miss Henrietta M. Schoch, daughter of Mr. J. Wilson Schoch one of the proprietors of the Newark *Sunday Call*. There was a large assemblage of friends at the church. Lieut. C. S. Bromwell, Corps of Engineers, was best man, and the ushers were Lieuts. R. G. Paxton of the Cavalry, Willis Ulline of the Infantry, Sawyer Blanchard of the Artillery, Herbert Deakney of the Artillery. A reception followed the ceremony, and the married couple left on a wedding tour and expect to join at Fort Custer towards the end of February.

In connection with the Peary expedition, it is stated that Lieut. Peary and his party might have been regarded as pirates owing to a treaty existing between Denmark, Great Britain and the United States, by which every ship which lands people or wares in those parts of Greenland within the jurisdiction of Denmark, without having first obtained the sanction of the Danish Government, may be seized and confiscated and the people with her punished. This permission not having been obtained, the authorities might have seized alike ship, crew and passengers, and sent them all prisoners to Denmark.

The Petersburg (Va.) *Index-Appel*, referring to the recent marriage of Capt. W. B. Banister, Asst. Surg., U. S. A., to Miss Mary Caroline Noltenius, a short account of which we gave last week, says: "The bride is the accomplished daughter of our townsman, Mr. H. Noltenius, and since her advent into society has been one of the belles of the Cockade City. Her exquisite beauty and sweetness of manner have endeared her to a large circle of friends, who will watch her departure from their midst with unfeigned regret. The groom is a son of the Rev. J. Monro Banister, D. D. After the ceremony a splendid reception was held at the residence of the bride's father, where the young couple received the hearty congratulations of their numerous friends. The wedding presents were large in number and many of rare beauty and exquisite design."

CAPTAIN D. A. HOWARD, U. S. A., retired, is spending the winter at Annapolis, Md.

The engagement is announced of Lieut. Joseph E. Kuhn, Corps of Engineers, and Miss Caroline W. Parker, daughter of Major R. C. Parker, U. S. A., retired.

Mrs. D. S. STANLEY was at Washington Barracks last week, visiting her daughter, Mrs. D. J. Rumbough, previous to her departure for Barrancas, Florida. While in the city Mrs. Stanley was entertained at luncheon by Mrs. Gen. Southerland. Miss Josephine Stanley went South with her sister.

At least one more civilian will be appointed to the Army by the present Administration. This is G. L. Andrews, son of Col. G. L. Andrews, who was included in the list of those examined when Mr. Proctor was Secretary of War. He failed at that time, but was granted a re-examination which he successfully passed.

MAJOR MOSES HARRIS, 8th U. S. Cavalry, is at Milwaukee, Wis. He is awaiting retirement, but has not been retired, as, judging from correspondence received, a few seem to think. Maj. Harris is the author of the excellent article on "The New Drill Regulations and National Guard Training," read at the 11th Annual Convention of Officers, of the Wisconsin National Guard, and published in the report of its proceedings.

Mrs. GENERAL BUTTERFIELD's reception of last Wednesday was one of the most charming affairs of the season. Her beautiful salon was filled, and delightful vocal and instrumental music served to entertain the guests, who showed their appreciation of it, not only by attention during its rendition, but by well-merited applause at the conclusion of each number. Among the distinguished guests were Mrs. Green, Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. Ford, Mrs. Townsend, General Sickles, Colonel and Mrs. R. H. Hall, Col. and Mrs. W. H. Powell, Lieut. and Mrs. Fremont, and others.

The Arizona *Miner*, referring to the recent promotion of Capt. L. M. Maus, Asst. Surg., U. S. A., Whipple Bks., to major and surgeon, says:

A large portion of his service has been spent on the frontier posts of the West. As a physician and surgeon, Maj. Maus occupies a high rank in his profession, and wherever he has been stationed his services have always been in great demand among citizens in civil life, and his many friends throughout Arizona, as well as elsewhere, will rejoice at his promotion.

MAJOR J. W. WHAM, paymaster, U. S. Army, stationed at Vancouver Barracks, is to be examined for retirement. Should he be found unfit for service and retired this will give President Harrison the appointment of another Army paymaster before the close of his administration. Major Wham served in an Illinois regiment during the war as an officer of the line of the U. S. Army from May, 1867, to January, 1871, and major and (paymaster since March, 1877.

In the schedule of Butterfield lectures at Union College, Schenectady, N. Y., for the remainder of the year we note "West Point Military Academy," by Gen. Horace Porter, March 3, prize by Albany Alumni Association; "Politics and Diplomacy of President Lincoln's Administration," Gen. Daniel E. Sickles, March 24, prize by the Count of Paris; "Westward the Star of Empire Takes Its Way," by Senator J. B. Manderson, U. S. Senator from Nebraska, April 14, prize by the Hon. John H. Starlin.

We have had occasion heretofore to refer to the gallant act of Lieut. Godfrey H. Macdonald, 1st U. S. Cav., A. D. C. to Maj. Gen. Howard, in rescuing a man from drowning in New York Bay in August, 1892. Lieut. G. H. Macdonald has recently received a gold life saving medal of honor with a letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, which recites in detail the circumstances of the rescue and says:

The almost impenetrable darkness of the night, the strength of the tide and the exhausted and nearly frantic condition of the drowning man, constitute a combination of adverse circumstances which show that the feat accomplished by you was one of extraordinary physical courage and great moral heroism. The latter quality is further emphasized by the fact that the moment you recovered from the extreme exhaustion occasioned by your persistent efforts your first words were an expression of solicitude for the welfare of the man in whose behalf you had bravely jeopardized your own life.

The Aztec Club, which was organized in the City of Mexico Oct. 13, 1847, has, Dec. 29, 1892, filed articles of incorporation at Washington, D. C. The officers for the year 1892-93 are: President, Gen. Fitz John Porter, U. S. A.; vice-president, General Stewart Van Vleet, U. S. A.; secretary, Gen. Inis N. Palmer, U. S. A.; assistant secretary, Mark B. Hatch, Washington; treasurer, Col. De Lancey Floyd-Jones, U. S. A.; Executive Committee—Gen. Lawrence P. Graham, U. S. A.; Col. John D. Wilkins, U. S. A.; Admiral Thornton A. Jenkins, U. S. Navy; Gen. Daniel M. Frost, Col. Andrew J. Lindsay and John M. Harney, St. Louis, Mo.; Gen. Jas. B. Fry, U. S. A., Col. De Lancey Floyd-Jones, U. S. Army, and Mark B. Hatch, Washington, D. C. Two Presidents of the United States have been members of the Aztec Club of 1847—Franklin Pierce and Gen. Grant, and most of the leading officers of the Army whose services dated back to the Mexican War.

DEPARTMENT NEWS.

Dept. of Texas.—Brig. Gen. Frank Wheaton.

Lieut. Joseph E. Maxfield, Signal Corps, U. S. A., has arrived at Fort McIntosh and begun the construction of the Government field telegraph line from that post down the Rio Grande or over to Ft. Brown.

GENERAL COURTS-MARTIAL CASES.

In a recent G. C. M. trial at Fort Sam Houston, the reviewing authority, General Wheaton, says: "It is evident, from the record, that the court, after coming to a finding, failed to be opened to ascertain from the Judge advocate if there were any previous convictions to be submitted. The requirements of Paragraph 1015, A. R., as published in G. O. No. 24, current series, Headquarters of the Army, are to be strictly complied with, as it is not intended that the court shall know, previous to coming to a finding, whether or not such a record is to be submitted. Fortunately there were no previous convictions to be considered in this case; but, nevertheless, the regulation is imperative."

ORDNANCE NOTES.

The Journal of the United States Artillery has published a special number, reprinting from *Engineering* the controversy between a German artilleryman and a French artilleryman as to the relative merits of the Krupp and Canet system of gun construction. We have followed the discussion as it appeared in *Engineering*, but it was too long for our columns. We are glad that the enterprise of the officers at the Artillery School has placed it within the reach of our service.

The *Army and Navy Gazette* says: "In referring to the report of the Chief of the United States Naval Bureau of Ordnance last week we mentioned that he states that experiments with steel masts show that they are inferior to steel plating of equal weight as a means of protection against small projectiles and fragments of exploded shell or langridge. There is reason, however, for supposing that the experiments made some short time back on board the *Resistance*, proved conclusively to our authorities the great value of wire mantlets as splinter catchers, and that it is not unlikely that they will be generally adopted in our service. These mantlets caught thousands of splinters which would in all probability have annihilated all living men. As it was several dummies were killed and wounded, but the value of the mantlets was amply demonstrated."

Reports received at the Navy Department from the Government Inspectors at the Carnegie Steel Works, at Homestead, Pa., show that the armor plate manufactured there for the new naval vessels is quite as good as any turned out by the establishment before the lockout of last summer. The plate has stood all the severe tests prescribed and men are working night and day to fulfil the contracts. Tests of the armor for the *Monterey* were particularly successful. It is said unofficially that inferior armor plate made in the Carnegie Mills, which the locked out men claimed had turned out badly because of the ignorance of the new non-union men, was really heated and rolled in the mills prior to the inauguration of the lockout, and while Amalgamated Association workmen were running the works.

F. Smith, late professor Army Veterinary School, reports as to effects of the Lee-Merford bullet, that when the shaft of a bone is struck at any range from 50 up to 1,000 yards the results are appalling, the wound of exit is often large enough to readily admit all the fingers of one hand. He says: "I have known pieces of bone to be carried completely away when hit at 900 yards, and dropped several feet behind the target; in one case a large piece was missing from a fracture, and I have no doubt in my mind that it was carried into the butt some thirty feet to the rear. Up to 200 yards, no matter where a bone is hit, it is pulverized, over 200 yards the pulverizing is limited to the shaft of the bone, whilst its extremities are bored. I doubted the existence of this boring power until it was proved experimentally. The view I have expressed of the pulverizing effect of this bullet at short ranges is borne out by the recent experience of the French in Dahomey. The graphic description given by the French correspondent of the 'mass of human jelly' is still fresh in our memories."

The Secretary of War has submitted an estimate to Congress for \$50,000 for gun and mortar batteries and in connection therewith the following statement from Gen. Casey, Chief of Engineers: "The latest approved projects for defending the coasts of the United States against attack by a hostile naval force contemplate the use of vertical fire from rifled mortars. The attack delivered by this ordnance is upon the decks of vessels, and is one of the most dangerous that a ship can receive. The projected defenses of the harbors of our coasts contemplate the construction of emplacements for 2 inch rifled mortars, and of these emplacements forty-eight are now approaching completion, and during the coming working season will need but the construction of platforms to render them ready to receive their armament. The armament will consist of mortars and their carriages. Of these carriages twenty will be ready next September. More than that number of mortars will be ready. The estimated cost of construction of twenty mortar platforms is \$50,000. At present no modern ordnance is in position in any fortifications of the United States. It is unnecessary to urge the importance of mounting such ordnance as it is manufactured and the fortifications are completed for it."

(Correspondence of the Army and Navy Journal.)

PORT SILL.

JANUARY 13, 1893.

COLONEL BRYANT and wife and daughter, and Lieut. Goe, adjutant, 13th Infantry, arrived at Sill Jan. 5. Col. Bryant assumed command of the post Jan. 7.

A delightful card party was given Tuesday evening by Lieut. and Mrs. John H. Parker. Those present were Miss Bryant, Miss Thomas, Lieuts. Scherer, Fueger and Newman. Lieut. Joseph E. Cusack joined his troop, D, 5th Cav., Cent. Thomas, on Jan. 8.

Capt. Noel S. Bishop, 5th Cav., returned Tuesday from a short leave. He will join his troop at Fort Reno in a few days.

Every one at Sill regrets that Capt. and Mrs. Walter S. Schuyler are to leave, probably very soon. Capt. Schuyler has been ordered to Chicago for duty in connection with the Columbian Exposition.

Lieut. Charles J. Symmonds, 5th Cav., returned to Fort Riley on Jan. 2, after a visit of three weeks to Sill.

Col. Edward M. Heyl, Inspector General, Dept. of the Missouri, is expected at Sill in a few days.

Major James B. Roche, paymaster, U. S. A., is expected from St. Louis in a few days to pay the troops at this post.

A hunting party consisting of Lieut. Alexander, 7th Inf.; Mr. B. Wade, of Michigan, and Dr. McMurdo left Wednesday morning for a few days sport on bluff Creek, in the vicinity of Signal Mountain. Dr. McMurdo returned the same afternoon and is confined to his room with malaria.

Game of all kinds has been plentiful this season, and the numerous hunting parties that have been out all report good luck. Quail and turkeys have been especially abundant.

The preliminaries for the proposed military ride between Vienna and Rome are completed. About a hundred Austrian officers are expected to compete.

RECENT DEATHS.

PRESIDENT-ELECT CLEVELAND, by attending the funeral at Fremont, Ohio, of his predecessor in office, has very properly rebuked the ghoulish spirits who are executing a war dance around the open grave of Rutherford B. Hayes. There is no need of the charity that follows the dead to save his memory from reproach. He was a brave and skillful soldier; a patriotic and able executive in civil office; a high-minded, honorable and kindly Christian gentleman. It was his fortune to be associated with events in our political history that must be left to the future for unprejudiced judgment. Those who criticize him for his part in them have never yet undertaken to show how he could logically do differently than he did under the actual circumstances of the time. He gave the country a clean and honest administration and, partisan controversy apart, he won the respect of all who knew him, and who consider his career in the spirit of fairness and justice. General Hayes was the Commander-in-Chief of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion, and his companions of that order will mourn his loss as that of a comrade and friend. If not a statesman of the highest order of ability, he was one who gave to the country such ability as he had in conscientious devotion to its interest, in the field, in the forum, and in the Cabinet of State. The War Department was represented at the funeral services by General Breckinridge, Colonel Corbin and Colonel Ruggles, Assistant Adjutants General, and Colonel Ludington, A. Q. M. General. An Executive Order was issued directing the Executive Mansion and Executive Departments at Washington to be draped in mourning and flags placed at half staff for thirty days, and that on the day of the funeral all public business in the departments be suspended, and that suitable military and naval honors under the orders of the Secretaries of War and of the Navy be rendered on that day. The Navy Department sent Captain Howell and Commanders Dickins and Houston to represent it.

THE Army and the country at large will hear with deep regret of the sudden death at New York City, January 14, 1893, of that gallant and accomplished soldier, worthy gentleman, and genial friend of all with whom he came in contact, Brevet Major General Rufus Ingalls, Brigadier General, U. S. Army, retired. He had complained of dizziness in the head for some time past, but had otherwise been well. A hall boy entering his room at the Grand Hotel about 1 P. M., January 14, found him dead on the sofa. The deceased officer was born in Denmark, Me., August 23, 1820, was graduated from the Military Academy in 1843, and promoted to the Rifles, and soon afterwards transferred to the 1st Dragoons. He served in the Mexican War and received the brevet of 1st Lieutenant for his gallantry at Embudo and Taos. In 1848 he was appointed Captain and Assistant Quartermaster. When Col. Edward J. Steptoe's expedition across the continent started he accompanied it, and from 1856 to 1860 was on the staff of General Harney, who was at Fort Vancouver at the time of the San Juan affair. In April, 1861, he was sent to reinforce Fort Pickens, and in July was ordered to duty with the Army of the Potomac. On September 28, 1861, he was appointed aide-de-camp to General George B. McClellan, with the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel, and on January 12, 1862, was made a Major in the Quartermaster's Department. In July, 1862, he was made Chief Quartermaster, Army of the Potomac, which office he held until June, 1864, and was then detailed Chief Quartermaster of the Armies operating against Richmond, Va. In the meantime he had been appointed a Brigadier General of Volunteers. How General Ingalls performed the enormous duties devolving upon him during the eventful struggle is a part of the nation's history. His promptitude in meeting the many trying exigencies that he was called upon to face was remarkable, and few men whose duty it was to clothe, feed and transport thousands of men at all seasons and under varying and exacting conditions ever began, and completed their work with such dispatch and thoroughness as did General Ingalls. For his distinguished services he received brevets from Lieutenant-Colonel to Brigadier-General in the regular establishment and the brevet of Major-General of Volunteers. After the war he rose through the several grades until on February 23, 1882, he was appointed Quartermaster-General with the rank of Brigadier-General. On July 1, 1883, he was retired upon his own application, having served forty years. After retiring he gravitated between New York City and Oregon. He was a close friend of "Ben" Halliday, and was made guardian of Halliday's two children by his second wife, Esther Campbell, in 1886. He was much attached to the children, and when the Campbell family, after a long litigation, took them away from him in 1891, he felt it keenly. The remains were taken to Washington and interred with military honors in the Arlington Cemetery. The pall bearers were: Gen-

erals MacFeely, Holabird, Perry, Batchelder, Sawtelle, Gibbon, C. H. Smith, Baird, Saxton, Flagler, Parke and Greely. General Ingalls was a warm friend of General Grant. On the latter's tour around the world he, while in conversation with John Russell Young about the prominent men of the war said: "We had a good many men in the war who were buried in the staff and did not rise. There is Ingalls for instance. Ingalls remained Quartermaster of the Army of the Potomac and did a great work; yet you never heard his name mentioned as a general. Ingalls in command of troops would, in my opinion, have become a great and famous general. If the command of the Army of the Potomac had ever become vacant I would have given it to Ingalls."

A CABLE despatch announces the death in Paris, France, Jan. 14, of Willis Emory, youngest son of Lieut. Comdr. W. H. Emory, U. S. Navy.

GENERAL JOSEPH J. BARTLETT, a distinguished officer of volunteers from New York during the war, and afterwards Minister to Sweden, died Jan. 14, at Baltimore.

MISS ALICE JANE HOFMAN, only daughter of Capt. W. E. Hofman, U. S. A., retired, was married Dec. 31 last, at Marietta, Cal., to Dr. Louis L. Roripaugh.

ENSIGN JOHN H. FILLMORE, U. S. N., retired, who died at Asheville, N. C., Jan. 7, was appointed from Illinois Sept. 24, 1874, attained the grade of ensign in 1881, and was retired Jan. 2, 1891. His permanent residence was at Marengo, Illinois.

MR. EDWARD R. CLARKE, U. S. Postal Clerk on the steamship *Elbe*, died Jan. 14, at his home in New York City. He served as mate in the U. S. Navy from September, 1863, to November, 1868, and performed honorable service during the war.

THE late Gen. Benjamin Franklin Butler had a notable funeral at Lowell, Mass., Jan. 16. A despatch from there says: "The foremost statesman and soldier of Massachusetts was laid at rest with all the honors, both military and civic, to which his high rank entitled him."

MRS. KAFFER, wife of P. A. Engr. John O. Kaffer, U. S. N., died in New York City Jan. 16. The remains were taken to Trenton, N. J., for interment.

MR. WILLIAM R. HANDY, for several years an esteemed clerk in the Bureau of Provisions and Clothing, Navy Department, died Jan. 14, at his residence in Washington, D. C.

A COLUMBUS, (Ohio,) despatch says: 1st Lieut. Wm. N. Hughes, 18th U. S. Infantry, Columbus Barracks, has sustained a severe affliction in the loss of his daughter Omie, who died Jan. 5, at Nashville, Tenn. Lieut. and Mrs. Hughes have the sympathy of the entire garrison in their sad bereavement.

MISS OMIE M. HUGHES, daughter of Lieut. W. N. Hughes, 18th U. S. Inf., a bright young lady of nearly 17 years of age, died Jan. 5, at Nashville, Tenn., of heart failure, superinduced by malarial fever. She had been for some years past residing with Lieut. Hughes's sister, Mrs. Gifford, at Nashville, in order that she might attend school, which she would have left in June next. The Nashville *Banner*, referring to the sad event, says: "She had been ill for several weeks and it was hoped that she was improving, but death came unexpectedly and suddenly and terminated the sweet young life on earth. Her mother reached her bedside from Columbus, Ohio, before death parted her from her child. Miss Omie was a bright and beautiful girl, who won the hearts of young and old, and who was a sunbeam in the home of her devoted uncle and aunt, now darkened by the great sorrow." The funeral service took place at the Presbyterian Church, Nashville, many friends and associates of the deceased young lady being present. The remains were taken to Columbia for interment.

ORDERS have been issued by the War Department and by the Navy Department, publishing the Executive proclamation announcing the death of Ex-President Hayes, and prescribing funeral honors for him. The War Department has also issued an obituary order in honor of General Ingalls.

THRILLING INCIDENT AT BEDLOW'S.

WEDNESDAY afternoon while walking on the ice between Bedlow's Island and the National Docks, Mrs. Miller, the young wife of Mr. Chas. Miller, an engineer in the lighthouse establishment, stepped into an air hole about three hundred yards from shore, and was precipitated into the icy water. Mr. Miller seeing his wife in the water, ran to her assistance, and in his efforts to save her, also broke through.

"Mac" Wetherill, son of Capt. A. M. Wetherill, U. S. A., who was skating nearby, saw the accident and shouted lustily for help. Lieut. F. D. Webster, who was also skating, hurried to the spot, and throwing his overcoat to Miller, lay down upon the edge of the ice and grasped the hand of the struggling woman, who was clinging to her husband. Capt. Wetherill, seeing the accident from the island, gave the alarm and the men of his company, who were there at supper, came rushing out of their quarters and on to the ice with ropes and planks, and assisted the Lieutenant in rescuing the now almost unconscious couple. They were taken home and by the usual remedies restored to consciousness.

Lieut. Webster says, had it not been for "Mac" Wetherill, who clung to his feet, he would undoubtedly have been drawn into the water himself, and all might have perished. Privates Kotchkiss, Guiney, and Rodenstein, of Co. A, 6th Inf., cannot be too highly commended for their able and daring assistance.

1 CAPTAIN EDMUND LUZZ, 8th U. S. Cavalry, left Fort Meade this week on a month's leave.

THE NAVY

BENJAMIN F. TRACY, Secretary of the Navy
JAMES R. SOLEY, Assistant Secretary of the Navy

NAVAL VESSELS IN COMMISSION.

WHEN AND WHERE LAST HEARD FROM.

N. A. Station.—A. E. Adm. John G. Walker. Address care Commandant, New York.

PHILADELPHIA, 2d rate, 13 guns. Capt. A. S. Barker. At New York Navy-yard. Will sail for Port Royal Jan. 21.

CONCORD, 3d rate, 6 guns. Commander Edwin White. At Norfolk Va., fitting out for a cruise.

ATLANTA, 3d rate, 8 guns. Capt. F. J. Higginson. Reported at Port au Prince Jan. 12.

CHICAGO, 3d rate, 14 guns, flagship. Capt. John F. McGlenssey. At New York. Address mail care Commandant, New York Navy-yard.

Kearsarge, 3d rate, 7 guns, Comdr. A. Crowninshield. At Colon January 18. May come to Key West.

Miantonomoh, monitor, 2d rate, 4 guns, Captain Montgomery Sicard, comdg. At New York Navy-yard.

Vesuvius, 4th rate, 3 guns, dynamite cruiser, Lieut. Seaton Schroeder, comdg. At Port Royal, S. C., trial of her guns.

S. A. Station.—Rear-Admiral A. E. K. Benham. The mail matter for ships on this station should be addressed "Care of the United States Consul, Montevideo, Uruguay, or care of B. F. Stevens, 4 Trafalgar Square, London." Letters sent to Rio Janeiro are frequently subjected to very long delays, owing to rumormongering and other reasons.

NEWARK, flagship, 2d rate, 12 guns. Captain Silas Casey. At Cadiz Jan. 8. Will proceed to Messina and Naples for the purpose of bringing an exhibit of the Vatican and the French exhibit to this country. Will return to Cadiz to convey vessels to Havana.

BENNINGTON, 3d rate, 6 guns, Commander R. Bradford. At Cadiz, Spain. Will convey cargo to U. S.

ESSEX, 3d rate, 6 guns, Comdr. Wm. W. Meade. Left Montevideo, Uruguay, Jan. 9 for Hampton Roads.

YANTIC, 4th rate, 4 guns. Lieut.-Comdr. Samuel Belden. Montevideo, Uruguay, Oct. 30.

Pacific Station.—Actg. Rear Adm. Geo. Brown. Commo. J. S. Skerrett ordered to command Jan. 1. Address all mail to Navy Pay Office, San Francisco, Cal., unless otherwise noted.

ADAMS, 3d rate. Comdr. Thomas Nelson. At San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 15. Private advice from Mare Island state the vessel is being made ready for a cruise to Samoa.

ALLIANCE, 3d rate, 6 guns, Comdr. W. H. Whiting. Arrived at Samoa from Honolulu Dec. 13. Orders have been sent for her to return home. Samoan natives state that the *Alliance* had a narrow escape from being wrecked at Apia Dec. 28. A squall came up suddenly in the morning, and the vessel dragged on to the reef. She bumped and then got off. T'anchors and eighty fathoms of chain were lost, is said, and the propeller was damaged.

BOSTON, 3d rate, 8 guns, Captain G. C. Wiltz. At Honolulu, S. I. Capt. B. F. Day ordered to command per steamer of Feb. 3 from San Francisco.

MOHICAN, 3d rate, 10 guns, Comdr. Nico Ludlow. At Mare Island, Cal. Flagship of the Pacific Station, and after repairs will probably sail for Honolulu.

RANGER, 3d rate, Commander E. Longnecker. At San Francisco, Cal.

THETIS, 3d rate, 2 machine guns. Comdr. G. C. Reiter. On surveying duty on lower coast California. At San Diego Jan. 1.

Special Service Squadron.—Rear Adm. Bancroft Gherard.

BALTIMORE, flagship, 2d rate, 10 guns, Capt. W. R. Bridgman. Arrived at Montevideo Jan. 10, left for Barbadoes Jan. 20, and expects to be at Hampton Roads about Feb. 15 and New York about Feb. 20.

CHARLESTON, 2d rate, 8 guns, Captain Henry F. Pickens. Same as Baltimore.

SAN FRANCISCO, 2d rate, 12 guns, Captain J. C. Watson. Same as Baltimore.

YORKTOWN, 3d rate, 6 guns. Commander Frank Wildes. Same as Baltimore.

Asiatic Station.—Rear Adm. D. B. Harmer.

Address all mail Yokohama, Japan.

ALERT, 3d rate, 4 guns, Comdr. Geo. R. Duran. At Kobe, Japan, Nov. 30. Was to sail Dec. 1 for Nippon.

LANCASTER, 2d rate, 10 guns, flagship, Comdr. A. H. McCormick. At Shanghai, China, Nov. 30.

MONOCACY, Comdr. F. M. Barber, 3d rate, 6 guns. At Shanghai Nov. 30.

MARION, flagship, 3d rate, 8 guns. Comdr. C. Gridley. At Shanghai Nov. 30. Was to leave Dec. 2 to receive stores of Palos, and then proceed to Foochow, Amoy, Hong Kong, Saigon, Bangkok, Singapore, Malacca, Penang, Batavia, Savona, Labuan, Manila and back to Hong Kong.

PALOS, 4th rate, 6 guns. Lieut. Comdr. J. Hunker. At Nagasaki, Japan. Under orders to sail.

PETREL, 4th rate, 4 guns. Lieut.-Comdr. R. S. Mackenzie. Lieut.-Comdr. J. H. Dayton. Ordered to command per steamer of Jan. 24 from San Francisco. At Nagasaki Nov. 30.

Apprentice Training Squadron.

PORTSMOUTH, 12 guns, Comdr. C. D. Sigbee. winter cruise in the West Indies. Mail for Portsmouth should leave the United States as follows: Care of U. S. Consul, Bridgetown, Barbadoes, until Jan. 25; care of U. S. Consul, Port-au-Prince, until Feb. 26; care of U. S. Consul, St. Thomas, W. I., until April 12 after April 12

mail should be sent to Hampton Roads, Va. The ship may visit the French West Indies, for which contingency arrangements will be made at St. Thomas for forwarding mail from that point.

RICHMOND, 3d rate, 14 guns. Capt. F. M. Bunce. At Newport, R. I. (Receiving ship for boys).

MINNESOTA, 19 guns. Receiving ship for boys. Captain J. R. Bartlett. At dock foot of West 50th street, N. Y. City. P. O. Station G, New York.

MONONGAHELA, Comdr. T. A. Lyons. On her winter's practice cruise. Arrived at Funchal, Madeira, Jan. 16. A slight collision was reported with a Norwegian vessel, but no damage was sustained. The itinerary of the cruise will be as follows: Leave Porto Praya about Jan. 28 for Bridgetown, Barbadoes, with expectation of reaching latter port about Feb. 23. Mail should be addressed care B. F. Stevens, 4 Trafalgar Square, London.

On Special Service.

AND AWAITING ASSIGNMENT

CUSHING, torpedo boat, Lieut. F. F. Fletcher commanding. At Newport, Jan. 25.

DOLPHIN, 3d rate, despatch boat, 2 guns. Comdr. W. H. Brownson, comdr., will be detached on Feb. 1, when Lieut. H. B. Buckingham, her executive officer, will be ordered to command. At Washington Navy-yard.

FEEN, fourth rate despatch vessel, Lieut. Comdr. W. C. Gibson. At New York Navy-yard.

MICHIGAN, 4th rate, 4 guns, (3 howitzers and 2 Gatlings). Comdr. Geo. E. Wingate. At Buffalo, N. Y., where new boilers are being put in.

PINTA, 4th rate, 4 howitzers. Lieut.-Comdr. Washburn Maynard detached and ordered to Navy Department. Lieut.-Comdr. W. T. Burwell ordered to command. At Sitka, Alaska, at last accounts.

SABATOGA, Comdr. F. M. Green will soon be relieved, and will probably be succeeded by Lieut.-Comdr. Strong, her executive officer. Nautical schoolship of Pennsylvania. Address Philadelphia.

St. Mary's, sails, 8 guns, Comdr. John McGowan, Jr. Public Marine School, New York. **CONSTELLATION**, 10 guns (practice ship of Naval Academy). Comdr. C. F. Goodrich. At Funchal, Madeira, Jan. 18.

ENTERPRISE, 3d rate, 6 guns. Lt.-Comdr. J. F. Merry. At Boston, Mass.

Receiving Ships, Iron-Clads, Etc.

DALE, Comdr. E. S. Houston. Receiving-ship. Navy-yard, Washington, D. C.

FRANKLIN, 30 guns, Capt. Rush R. Wallace. Receiving ship. Navy-yard, Norfolk, Va.

INDEPENDENCE, 7 howitzers. Capt. O. S. Cotton. Receiving ship. Navy-yard, Mare Island, Cal.

St. Louis, sails, Comdr. C. H. Rockwell. Receiving ship. Navy-yard, League Island, Pa.

VERMONT, 1 gun. Capt. J. N. Miller. Receiving ship. Navy-yard, New York.

WABASH, 20 guns, Capt. Jas. O'Kane. Receiving ship. Navy-yard, Boston, Mass.

The armor-clad *Ajaz*, *Catkill*, *Canonius*, *Lehigh*, *Maopoc*, *Manhattan* and *Wyandotte*, in command of Comdr. G. W. Pigman, are laid up near Richmond, Va. P. O. address, Richmond, Va.

VARIOUS NAVAL ITEMS.

The fact is not generally understood that the report of Engineer-in-Chief Melville for 1892 does not contain plates, the generous issue of two years ago having so far covered the field that Secretary Tracy felt the money could be better expended elsewhere.

It is believed to be the intention of the Navy Department to keep the *Bancroft* attached to the North Atlantic Station as a part of the squadron until after the naval review and then assign the ship to her legitimate duties at the Naval Academy.

The U. S. practice cruiser *Bancroft*, which was to have made her official trip on Jan. 16, was frozen in at her anchorage at Elizabeth, N. J., and in consequence her trial was postponed until more moderate weather. She was freed from the ice Jan. 18 and sailed for Newport, where the Board will join her for a trial trip.

The new cruiser *New York* is to have an electric launch—the first boat of the kind introduced in the naval service. This was decided on Monday last by Secretary Tracy after consultation with Capt. J. W. Philip, who, as commanding officer of the *New York*, will use the new launch as his gig. The new gig will be 20 ft. long, and will carry sufficient storage battery to run for five hours at a sustained speed of eight knots.

In an article on types of vessels in the *Providence Journal* of Dec. 25, Lieut. Percy W. Thompson, U. S. R. M., says: "That the whaleback has a magnificent future for it is self-evident. Only three years ago the first whaleback steamer ever built in the world was launched. To-day there are twenty-seven of them trading on the lakes and on the ocean, most of them of about 3,000 tons each. Within the next year thirty more whalebacks may be expected. A new whaleback, over 400 feet long and 38 wide, built exclusively for passenger service, intended especially to carry World's Fair visitors from the lower piers of Chicago to Jackson Park, was launched a few days ago. It is said that after the World's Fair she will be out in two, sent through the Welland Canal, and then brought to New York and put in the transatlantic trade. On the Pacific the Whaleback Company is building a steamer of 4,000 tons for coast traffic. The same company is also building vessels for the China trade and for the South American trade. Looking at the whaleback steamer as a type, it possesses many structural and commercial advantages over the ordinary type of boat. The principal advantages are: Firstly, a vessel with a given tonnage will carry more dead weight cargo; secondly, owing to the shape above the load line, together with the circumstance of the engines being placed well aft, the whaleback is stronger than the ordinary freight propellers; thirdly, the reduced amount of superstructure gives a reduced air and wave resistance; fourthly, it has greater stability.

Repairs to the machinery and boilers of the *Concord* are progressing as well as could be expected when the polar weather is taken into account. The work at the Norfolk yard stands deservedly high, and it is hoped the ship will be fit for a full cruise when she leaves the shops.

Commodore EMMEN, U. S. N., and a large party from the New York Navy-yard attended the entertainment given on Thursday evening by the Farragut Association of Naval Veterans in aid of their fund for the aid of needy naval veterans.

The Board, Capt. Schley president, appointed to consider the manner of distributing the Chilian indemnity fund have recommended that about \$25,000 be divided equally between the heirs of the two sailors who were killed. The remaining \$50,000 is apportioned among the other wounded Baltimore sailors in proportion to the injuries received.

The first edition of the recent publication of the Office of Naval Intelligence having become so speedily exhausted, efforts are being made looking to a second edition. The publications of this department of the Government have a world-wide and deserved reputation, and are much sought after by scientists at home and abroad.

The Coast Survey steamers *Pattison* and *Blake* are booked for interesting voyages during the present year. The former, which is now overhauling at San Francisco, will spend the summer in Alaskan waters surveying the harbor at Sitka. The *Blake*, now at the Washington Navy-yard, will go up the St. Lawrence and through the lakes to Chicago for service in connection with the World's Fair. She will sail early in the spring.

Asst. NAVAL ENGINEERS. H. P. Norton, M. Bevington, G. R. Salisbury, J. M. Pickrell and F. C. Bowers, who have been before the Examining Board at Philadelphia, have passed their physical examinations and are now undergoing professional examination for promotion. There are now vacancies for assistant engineers in the class of 1880 down to Asst. Engr. J. L. Wood. It is understood, however, that none of these names have been sent to the Senate owing to the fact that Engr. Hasen, who is the senior member of the class, has tendered his resignation to take effect on Feb. 1. To avoid further trouble regarding changing dates, it is best to withhold the nominations until after that time.

The San Francisco Post says: "There seems to be a general misunderstanding regarding the change of pitch in the screw of the *Monterey*. It is not intended or desired to increase her speed, but only to make such a change in the speed of revolution as to enable all the steam made to be utilized, and thus bring about a compliance with the Government's requirement of 5,400 indicated horse power. In fact, it is anticipated that the change in pitch may reduce the speed slightly. This shows the folly of requiring a horse power test instead of a speed test. She is the last of the new ships to be measured by the horse power test, the others being gauged by speed, which is the only sensible method."

A CIRCULAR issued from the Navy Department, Washington, Jan. 16, invites the attention of all steel manufacturers of the United States to the requirements of the Navy Department in the way of armor-plates for the prosecution of work authorized by Congress. This advertisement invites all domestic manufacturers of steel to specify, in competition with each other, upon what terms they will agree to furnish the armor required. No bids will be considered except such as engage to manufacture within the United States the armor-plate specified in this advertisement, nor will any bid be accepted until it is shown by evidence satisfactory to the Department that the bidder is in possession of, or has made actual provision for, a plant adequate for its fulfillment within the time specified. Bids are invited for about 7,000 tons of Harveyized nickel steel armor, also the necessary bolts and accessories. Also certain hollow forgings, such as communication tubes, conning towers, ammunition hoists, etc. The Department will furnish the necessary nickel in the form of nickel oxide, or other suitable form, free of cost to the armor contractor.

NAVY GAZETTE.

Ordered.

JAN. 13.—Lieutenant Commander W. T. Burwell, to hold himself in readiness to command the *Pinta*. Lieutenant C. F. Norton, to hold himself in readiness for orders to the *Bancroft* as executive officer.

Lieutenant E. S. Prime, to hold himself in readiness for orders to the *Castine* as executive officer. P. A. Surgeon H. N. T. Harris, to temporary duty in the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery.

JAN. 16.—Lieutenant Albert Graves, to examination for promotion.

Assistant Surgeon Geo. Rothganger, to duty at the Naval Hospital, Navy-yard, Mare Island, Cal.

JAN. 17.—Surgeon P. M. Rixey, to the *Dolphin* Feb. 6 next.

Detached.

JAN. 13.—Ensign Wm. G. Miller, from the Fish Commission steamer *Albatross* and ordered to the nautical school ship *Enterprise*.

P. A. Engineer Wm. Rowbotham, from the receiving ship *Independence* and granted three months' leave.

JAN. 17.—P. A. Surgeon James D. Gatewood, from the *Dolphin* Feb. 6 next and granted leave for two months.

Paymaster Henry C. Machette, from the receiving ship *St. Louis* Jan. 31 and ordered to duty at the naval station, Key West, Fla.

Paymaster H. R. Smith, from the naval station, Key West, Fla., and ordered to settle accounts, then hold himself in readiness for orders to sea.

Retired.

Chief Engineer Chas. H. Baker from Jan. 16.

Nominations.

JAN. 19.—P. A. Engineer J. S. Ogden, to be a chief engineer from Jan. 17, vice Baker, retired.

Confirmations.

JAN. 15.—Assistant Engineer Thos. F. Carter, to be passed assistant engineer. Assistant Engineer Jas. M. Pickrell, to be a passed assistant engineer.

Assistant Engineer Martin Bevington, to be a passed assistant engineer.

Assistant Engineer Frederick C. Bowers, to be a passed assistant engineer.

Assistant Engineer Geo. R. Salisbury, to be a passed assistant engineer.

Walter M. McFarland, to be a passed assistant engineer.

Benjamin C. Bryan, to be a passed assistant engineer.

Harold P. Norton, to be a passed assistant engineer.

Clarence A. Carr, to be a passed assistant engineer.

Edward H. Scribner, to be a passed assistant engineer.

Andrew M. Hunt, to be a passed assistant engineer.

Frank M. Bennett, to be a passed assistant engineer.

P. A. Engineer Herschel Main, to be a chief engineer.

P. A. Engineer Holland N. Stevenson, to be a chief engineer.

Ensign Walter S. Burke, of the Navy, to be an assistant engineer.

Assistant Engineer Victor Blue, of the Navy, to be an ensign.

Lieutenant (jr. grade) Valentine S. Nelson, to be a lieutenant.

Lieutenant (jr. grade) Edward E. Wright, to be a lieutenant.

P. A. Surgeon Chas. T. Hibbett, to be a surgeon.

Brownlee Robertson Ward, a resident of Conn., to be an assistant surgeon.

Captain Wm. R. Brown, U. S. Marine Corps, to be a major.

NAVY DEPARTMENT.

WASHINGTON, JANUARY 16, 1893.

1. Rear Admiral Bancroft Gherardi is hereby ordered to assume command, on March first next, of the combined fleet for the Naval Review, authorized by the Act of Congress approved April 25, 1890.

2. Upon the date specified the North Atlantic and South Atlantic Stations will be temporarily discontinued until the close of the review, when they will revive under the same conditions as exist at the present time.

3. On the first day of March, or as soon thereafter as possible, Rear Admiral Benham, Commander-in-Chief of the South Atlantic Station, and Rear Admiral Walker, Commander-in-Chief of the North Atlantic Station, will report to Rear Admiral Gherardi, at such point as he may designate, with the ships of their respective commands, for duty in the Naval Review Fleet, resuming command of their respective Stations at the close of the Review.

4. During the period named, the *Yantic* will be considered as assigned to temporary special service on the east coast of South America, resuming her place on the South Atlantic Station at the termination of the Review.

5. Upon the completion of the Review and the duties connected therewith, Rear Admiral Gherardi will haul down his flag and relinquish command adroit.

B. F. TRACY, Secretary of the Navy.

REVENUE MARINE SERVICE.

Revenue cutter *Dexter* blew a small hole through her boiler in the back connection Jan. 13 at Edgartown, Mass., necessitating at least a day's repairs.

Mrs. WILLIAM L. BUCK, sister of Lieut. Harry Leroy Hawthorne, is visiting friends in Washington.

The following Army officers registered at the War Department this week: Maj. L. T. Morris, 3d Cav., Maj. George B. Rodney, 4th Art.; Capt. B. D. Pine, 4th Inf.; Capt. F. V. Abbot, Engineers; Lieut. B. F. Byrne, 6th Inf., and Lieut. J. W. Benet, Ordnance Department.

The following Naval officers registered at the Navy Department this week: Capt. F. M. Bunce and J. W. Philip; Comdrs. P. H. Cooper and F. A. Cook; Lieut. C. S. Sperry, Lieuts. J. D. Adams, A. G. Winterhalter, G. T. Emmons and A. V. Gleaves; Ensign F. J. Haeseler, and P. A. Surgeon F. W. F. Wieber.

SECRETARY TRACY has sent back the record of the Naval Examining Board in the promotion case of Pay Inspector J. H. Stevenson, together with papers concerning his administration at the Brooklyn Navy-yard and at the Naval Academy several years ago, directing the board to carefully consider them before making its final report. The board had previously reported in favor of his promotion.

REPRESENTATIVE FELLOWS, of New York, Jan. 18, introduced a resolution calling for an investigation of the proceedings of the Panama Canal Co. in this country; into the ownership by the canal company of the railway stock; the nature of the policy pursued by the railroad company toward American interests since the acquisition of the railway stock by the canal company; the question whether an officer on the retired list of the U. S. Army should at the same time, under such circumstances, serve as president of the railroad company.

SECRETARY TRACY has postponed action on the court-martial case of Comdr. H. L. Johnson until he can give the counsel of the accused a hearing. The sentence is still kept a secret, but it is known that the accused was not acquitted as reported. The case will probably be disposed of before the next issue of the JOURNAL.

The Naval Examining Board, acting under instructions from the Bureau of Navigation, has increased the scope of examination for young line officers by adding thereto questions in electricity. The innovation began this week with the examination of Ensigns Niblack and Haeseler. Ensigns Simpson and Muir were also before the Naval Examining Board this week, but they had not studied electricity, questions on this subject were not submitted to them. Comdr. J. J. Read has successfully passed his examination for promotion. Comdr. E. T. Woodward, who, as stated last week, failed in his physical examination for promotion, has been granted six months' sick leave, when he will again be called before the Medical Board. Comdr. O. A. Batcheller will come before the Medical Board on Saturday, and if successful in passing his physical examination, will go before the Examining Board on Monday next.

If the Emperor could bring his tongue under as rigid discipline as his army what a blessed thing it would be for Germany.—*Cleveland Plain Dealer*.

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LATE advices from Honolulu are to the effect that it was in contemplation for the Boston to take the American Minister, Hon. John L. Stevens, over to Hilo on a visit of inspection, and also for a trip to the celebrated volcano of Mauna Loa, some 30 miles from Hilo. The coming departure of Mr. Stevens from Hawaii is a source of deep regret to the people of Honolulu, and strenuous efforts have been made to induce a change of plan. Private affairs, however, render his presence in America imperative, and in May he will leave a field where for about four years his influence has been consistently on the side of good government for the Hawaiians, and a proper respect for their powerful neighbor. The steady influence, coupled with timely advice, of our Minister at the Hawaiian court has done more to cement the friendship of the two countries than anything which has occurred for many years, and mainly through Mr. Stevens' good offices the opinion pervades the islands that the United States has no ulterior motives in its friendship for the island kingdom.

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SERGEANT O. R. WOLFE, the non-commissioned officer who was denied an appointment as second lieutenant at the time the other successful candidates received their appointments, because his commission would antedate the members of this year's graduating class, has won his case. In interpreting the laws concerning the appointment of graduates in connection with the law governing appointments from the ranks, the Department has construed the latter as controlling when it comes in conflict with the provisions of the earlier law, which prohibits a rejected cadet from getting an appointment ahead of his class. In other words, it has been held that his Army service makes good what he lost at the Academy. He accordingly gets his appointment, to date from Nov. 19, the date when the other non-commissioned officers examined at the same time were appointed.

LETTERS of instructions to Army promotion boards, and the list of questions to be submitted to candidates for promotion in accordance with the order increasing the scope of examinations, are in course of preparation at the War Department. It will be some time, however, before any new boards will be convened for the examination of officers. It will be some months before the list of approved candidates has been exhausted, and besides it seems to be the intention of the authorities to allow all the time possible for officers to prepare themselves for the new examinations, which will be of a higher standard than those previously held. In order that there may be uniformity in the method of conducting the examinations the policy of the Department will be to reduce the number of boards to a minimum. If Gen. Schofield's views are carried out boards will be convened at only three or four central points.

SOME ARMY GROWLS.

COLONEL ANDREW S. BURT, Twenty-fifth Infantry, has some sensible remarks in his annual report concerning the change of name from canteen to post exchange. This change of name has the characteristics of one of those pious dodges by which a man who is too good for pure whiskey can take the worst rot-gut, so long as it bears the stamp of medicinal bitters. Col. Burt says of the title "post exchange": "It sounds pedantic, and conveys no meaning. There is a sentiment in the line that the change of title was a yielding to a clamor made by uninformed people, who are continually constituting themselves guardians of the morals of the line of the Army, having an itching to missionarize it. This of late years has become so marked as to be insulting and a grievance. It works an evil, inasmuch as the line of the Army is published thereby to the public as a lot of drunken card players, heathenish and disreputable in our habits; whereas, on the contrary, it is susceptible of proof that as a class, in proportion to its size, the line is the most temperate and reputable class in the country. The listening with apparently no remonstrance to the loud mouthed clamors about the sins of the line has become oppressive and grievous. More, the public are thus schooled in an erroneous opinion. A result was seen during the Steel and Wild trial. Hardly a newspaper in this country had a word to say in defence of the Army's general habits. There was a general howl from one end of the land to the other. This would not have been so had the public not been fostered in the belief that we needed missionarying."

If it was not clear to us at the time, it is now that the Army has been betrayed in the house of its friends. Instead of facing boldly the ignorant public opinion that condemned it, and condemned it unfairly, an attempt has been made to present it in such a light as to silence criticism. This is impossible, as the result shows, for Army methods and Army ideas are not understood abroad. Military men have their faults undoubtedly, but even their virtues assume the guise of faults in prejudiced judgments.

The administration of Mr. Proctor was largely occupied with reforms which did not in all cases take sufficient account of the genius of the military service. An officer whose letter is before us as we write, says concerning this:

"As a result of the three years and purchase of discharge acts, the Army is filled with boys who are not old enough to know what they want or what they need. They cannot be disciplined in time of peace, because, as a result of the above mentioned acts, we have no old soldiers left on whom we are almost entirely dependent for discipline. These boys are enlisted largely in the farming districts of the West where every man is as good as another and in his own opinion very much better. In the section of the country where they grow up, there is no social distinction and they naturally have no respect for the rank and authority of their officers. But the principal object of these acts was to reduce desertion, which, during all ages and in all countries, has been regarded as a high crime. Instead of holding men responsible for their crimes, and severely punishing them, acts have been passed which make it nearly impossible to establish such responsibility. Soldiers should not be allowed to purchase their discharge. The term of enlistment should be four years, and desertion should be severely punished."

"G. O. No. 73, 1892, is in the right direction, but it does not go far enough. Admonitions administered to enlisted men are useless. In localities where there are almost no indulgences and privileges to withhold, the order becomes inoperative. If the War Department had not Court-martialled Lieut. Steele, had not printed A. R. 999 and par. v., G. O. No. 21, 1891, there would have been no need of G. O. 73. It is not company commanders who are responsible for the present condition of discipline. If this order had gone on and stated that 'a drunken man may be confined without trial,' 'a foul mouthed man placed under a hydrant,' etc., and that 'officers will be supported by higher authority as they are in the Pennsylvania Guard,' the number of summary court trials would soon be diminished and discipline soon restored."

"Another vicious and illegal move was skeletonizing cavalry and infantry. It was admitted that in kicking us a mistake was made, and to rectify it we were kicked again and given the Indians. We are ready to admit the benefit to the Indian, but the efficiency of the Army should not be per-

verted to the furthering of humanitarian schemes. We on the frontier see enough of Indians without being forced to eat and sleep with them. If we must have Indian soldiers, let them be organized into separate corps or regiments and officered by officers who are enthusiastic in this line of work. The enlisted strength of the Army should be increased for this purpose and Indians now in service transferred bodily to the new organization.

"We are thankful that our new Secretary of War has not bothered us very much. The Army duds have, however, succeeded in imposing on us through him the new blouse. Whereas, we formerly wore a garment of material rich enough to distinguish us; and which was no disgrace to any gathering, we will now have to wear a garment of inferior quality in order that we will not have to pay ten dollars more for a less serviceable one. I have a new blouse and have tried it to my satisfaction. The braid on the sleeve, front, and back are a nuisance. I like the turn down collar best, and prefer brass buttons. When we alter the new blouse to this extent, we have the old one with the slit in the side. If the War Department wants a true reform, let them abolish the full dress and give us a simple serviceable uniform of cadet gray. To do this sentiment must be ignored. A color good enough for cadets is good enough for the Army."

We publish this letter because it undoubtedly expresses opinions prevailing in the Army and that should be considered. One service we seek to do through the JOURNAL is to discover as far as possible what the sentiment of the Army actually is as to various matters concerning its interests. This cannot always be learned at headquarters, and it is well that the lusty growls that do not find their way into official reports should have some medium of expression, and what better one than this? "Out of a full heart the mouth speaketh," and speech is often times a relief, even though it go unheeded.

The New York Life Insurance Company presents its usual telling array of figures in its annual report, the forty-eighth, just issued. Its total income in round figures is \$40,000,000; its assets are \$137,490,198 and its liabilities \$120,694,250. It has \$689,000,000 insurance in force, having written during the year 174,000,000 of new insurances on 65,259 new policies issued. This breaks the record for the amount of new business secured, and shows how much the company has gained by the transfer of its control to the present able administration.

Mr. F. B. HEITMAN, of the War Department, proposes to publish some time in March, 1893, at the price of five dollars, an Historical Register of the officers of the Continental Army during the War of the Revolution. It will contain the records of about ten thousand officers, including general officers of the Continental Army, arranged according to rank, with dates of service of each; list of military secretaries and aides-de-camp to Gen. Washington, with dates of service as such; chronological list of field officers of the line in successive order, arranged by States and regiments; alphabetical list of officers of the Continental Army, including many officers of the militia, showing date of rank in each grade, all brevet commissions, all cases in which thanks, swords or honors were conferred by Congress, information as to dates and localities when and where officers were killed, wounded, captured and exchanged, and in many cases dates of death of officers after leaving the Service. It will also give a chronological and alphabetical list of battles, actions, etc. Mr. Heitman has peculiar facilities for preparing such a work, and we hope his enterprise will receive the encouragement that it deserves.

A Herald correspondent suggests that Congress enact that the Commissioner of Pensions shall within ninety days thereafter cause to be posted in a conspicuous place in each post office or sub-station for public notice and under proper protection from mutilation a list of the public pensioners resident in the postal district, the list to give full name, rank, organization, age, occupation, length of service, nature of disability, quarterly pension and amount paid to date, and to be corrected quarterly. The scheme is feasible and seems reasonable.

The Army Medical Board for the examination of candidates for appointment as assistant surgeon, will be convened at the Army Building in New York City, on March 1. There are eleven vacancies to be filled.

An even dozen vacancies on the limited retired list during the present year are assured by the transfer to the unlimited list of retired officers who will reach 64 years of age on the dates named below: January 27, February 14, February 26, April 13, May 1, May 11, July 6, August 29, September 29, October 1, October 21, and December 19.

The prize of \$100 offered by the committee appointed by a convention held in St. Louis last June for the best essay by a student of any college, university, or technical institution in any of the Atlantic Coast States on the subject of "The Advantages Which the Prompt Construction of the Nicaragua Canal Will Bring to the United States and Especially to the Atlantic Coast States," was awarded to Mr. Edgar J. Kohler, a member of the senior class of the College of the City of New York. The special committee which awarded the prize was composed of Gen. Horace Porter, chairman; Edmund O. Stedman, John L. N. Hunt, ex-president of the New York Board of Education; Col. W. C. Church, editor of the ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL, and ex-Judge Charles P. Daly, president of the American Geographical Society. In addition to this prize of \$100 for the best essay, the Committee on Award will make honorable mention of the writer of the best essay from each of the States represented in the contest, and will cause copies of these essays to be sent to the press of the State in which the writer resides.

An anonymous circular issued from Brooklyn, N. Y., informs us that a project is on foot to "revolutionize the Army, bringing it into accordance with the spirit of our institutions; to draw closer the Regulars (U. S. A.) and Reserves (S. N. G.); to make the military profession more prominent in the social world, to equalize the different grades, prevent stagnation and make promotion more rapid; to regulate the pay and give the working grades their due prominence; to make the Military Academy a university and change the system of appointment; to provide our country with an establishment similar to but more popular than Aldershot in England; and, above and before all, to give every ambitious and enterprising youth and man an opportunity to spend a short time in the Army, and, without loss of honor, dignity or social standing, but with pleasure and profit, acquire a graceful carriage, an athletic presence and a knowledge of military matters, thereby making him a better citizen, a more manly man and a credit to himself and the community." This is a large undertaking, but we wish it all success.

The London Horse Guards Gazette, in a savage attack upon the extravagance of the British Admiralty, says: "The reason is obvious, clerkdom has set its meshes around the nominal rulers of these services, and manipulates them for its own advantage. The nominal administrators are content to leave themselves in the hands of clerkdom, and clerkdom is naturally not inclined to sign its own death warrant. The remedy rests with the public, and we should welcome any attempt to rouse the public in the matter. Let the public insist upon its representatives taking this matter in hand, and adopting drastic measures in reference to the salaried idlers at Whitehall. The naval services could very well afford to dispense with one-half of these paper-spoilers, while the salaries of the remainder might be reduced a half or one-third. Even then they would be inordinately overpaid. We wonder how many clerks in London to-day, outside of the public departments, are in receipt of \$400 or \$500 per annum."

The first step of progress in electric science is traced to the experiments by Dr. William Gilbert, of Colchester, Eng., physician of James I. He left a work entitled "*De magneti magneticis que corporibus*," which was so far in advance of its time, and is so full of profound thought, that it is found worthy of translation, nearly three centuries after its first appearance, for the benefit of an age which appears to imagine that it has the monopoly of discovery in the realms of nature. Mr. Mottelay had translated the work, and Messrs. John H. Wiley and Sons announced its publication, when an Englishman, Prof. Sylvanus P. Thompson, arose and, with that calm confidence in his unquestioned right to possess the earth, which is not uncommon among his countrymen, shouted "Veto!" It appears that Prof. Thompson has been for some years collecting subscriptions for the publication of "*De Magneti*," on the score of which he claims prior rights and makes an abusive attack upon the Messrs. Wiley. This has been effectually answered by Major Wm. H. Wiley, and also by Mr. James Dredge, of the London Engineering, upon whose advice Mr. Mottelay—whom he describes as "a hard-working and singularly erudite American"—has acted.

We note from the San Antonio Express that the commanding officer of Fort Bliss has issued an order saying: "The practice pursued by some of the enlisted men of this command when addressed by a commissioned officer of saying 'very good, sir,' 'very well, sir,' 'all right, sir,' is irregular and should be discontinued. The reply should be 'yes, sir,' if understanding what has been said to them, and if not understanding it will be interrogatively, 'sir?'"

A Prescott despatch states that "the quartermaster on duty at Whipple Barracks pays the troops there monthly." The method is simple, and many progressists favor it.

The Railroad Gazette estimates that the 1,075,537 people who were carried on the elevated railroads of New York on one day of the Columbian celebration would, if arranged in single file as close as they could conveniently stand together, form a line reaching from the Battery in New York up to Albany and out on the New York Central Railroad as far as Auburn, or from Troy to Buffalo and 40 miles beyond.

GENERAL SAMUEL BRECK, U. S. A., is at present engaged in a compilation of the Army Regulations, and Lieut.-Col. E. V. Sumner was expected to report to him this week in New York City as his assistant. The need of a new edition of the Regulations is apparent. It is only an expert who can, at present, keep tally of the various amendments to almost every paragraph affecting daily official business.

A CORRESPONDENT writes: "Will the incoming administration be favorable to the continuation of the skeleton company arrangement?" We cannot yet say. Doubtless the head of the incoming administration has at present matters more important to the country at large to give consideration to.

The January number of the "Journal of the Military Service Institution" is replete with good things: General J. C. Tiddball continues his article on "Artillery Service in the Rebellion;" Captain Zalinski writes on "Hot Air Balloons;" "Alask" gives the "Russian View of the Pamir Question;" Captain Hess has some excellent "Comments on Military Specialists," and "Thoughts on the Training and Employment of Soldiers." That great worry, "The Knapsack," is discussed by Captain Quinton; Capt. Parker writes on "Military Training," and last, but not least of the first part comes an interesting article at this juncture entitled, "The Place of the Medical Department of the Army." The second part has an excellent series of reprints and translations, Military notes, reviews, etc., and in this number is a history of the Subsistence Department by Gen. Barriger. The able editors, Major Haskin and Lieut. Bush, are to be congratulated on the excellence of the initial number of 1893.

SECRETARY ELKINS and Surgeon-General Sutherland have been having a lively but good natured controversy over the succession to Lieut.-Col. Heger as attending surgeon to officers and their families in Washington. It appears that Majors Mosely and O'Reilly both desired this assignment and that both received orders for it. It further appears that the Surgeon-General had the former ordered to Washington last spring for the express purpose of succeeding Lieut.-Col. Heger, and when he found that Major O'Reilly, in October last, was ordered here for the same purpose by Secretary Elkins he entered a protest on the ground that that officer had received more than his full share of eastern duty. Gen. Sutherland is a great stickler for rotation in office, and he fought persistently against the rule being broken. He finally carried his point, the Secretary gracefully backing down by issuing an order suspending indefinitely the orders of Major O'Reilly to come to Washington. Major Mosely is, therefore, in full charge, but it is said that Major O'Reilly will renew the fight when the next administration comes in.

The Court of Inquiry which has been investigating the circumstances under which Col. Ludlow, Corps of Engineers, U. S. A., was relieved from duty as light-house officer in Detroit last June finished its work in Washington Jan. 17. Arguments were submitted by Lieut. Birkhimer, of Col. Ludlow's counsel; by Col. Atkinson, of Detroit, and a brief paper by Col. Ludlow himself. The matter of lighting St. Mary's River, the instructions of the executive officers of the Lighthouse Board, and the action of Col. Ludlow and Capt. Heyerman were thoroughly canvassed during the hearing. Prof. Mendenhall and Capt. Mahan, the engineer secretary of the board, represented the Lighthouse Board. Capt. Mahan testified, but Prof. Mendenhall declined to do so, and was not present at the last of the trial. Col. Ernst and Col. Elliot, of the board, testified in Col. Ludlow's favor, as did Comdr. Heyerman, who was relieved from duty with him. Major Gregory testified that Col. Ludlow was one of the best lighthouse engineers in the service. The allegations of Prof. Mendenhall, he said, had never been brought before the Lighthouse Board, but had been brought up afterward to justify the action of the executive officers. The court adjourned to meet in New York Friday, when it will make up its report. The investigation was made at the request of Col. Ludlow, and his vindication is confidently expected.

The revelations concerning the Panama Canal swindle have resulted in a loud call upon the late Secretary of the Navy, Mr. Thompson, for information as to the disbursement of the eleven millions of francs entrusted to the superintendent of the American Committee of the Panama Canal Company. Mr. Thompson can tell, if any one can, what became of the money, but he is not disposed to volunteer information.

The Senate Naval Committee has decided to report favorably the nomination of Capt. Wm. T. Sampson to be Chief of the Bureau of Ordnance. Action was delayed by the Committee for several days in consequence of the revival (by Pay Inspector Stevenson, according to the report) of the old charges concerning his troubles with servants when at the Naval Academy three years ago, but the Committee, after consideration of the matter, attached no importance to them.

FIFTY-SECOND CONGRESS—SECOND SESSION.

The confidence felt by the advocates of the Artillery-Infantry Organization bill in the passage of this measure is beginning to wane as the session progresses with the bill still in the House Committee. The bill was the order for the meeting on Tuesday last, but the entire session was taken up with hearings in favor of changing the design of the union of the national flag to the form of a pansy. It is now said that the bill will come up on Tuesday next, but as the Military Academy bill is also awaiting action, the reorganization bill may again be crowded out. Mr. Outhwaite, however, has promised that the bill will be reported from the Committee in some shape, and as he usually keeps his promises, the bill will in all probability get on the calendar before the close of the session. With less than forty days of the session remaining, and the usual scramble between the committees for action on their respective measures, not to mention the backward condition of the appropriation bills, the prospects of its final passage, however, are not particularly encouraging. The only hope for it lies in the success of the Military Committee in getting a day or night session for the consideration of measures reported by it. Thus far the Committee on Rules, which is practically the steering committee of the House, has not recommended the days so much desired.

The House Naval Committee has not yet succeeded in getting another day for the consideration of naval measures, in the place of the one hitherto granted but lost by reason of the adjournment on account of the death of Senator Kenna. Chairman Herbert, however, fully expects this favor from the Committee on Rules. If the day is granted, the Revenue Marine transfer bill will be among the first measures brought up for consideration.

Consideration of the Naval Appropriation bill was commenced this week. Commr. Ramsay, Commr. Farquhar and Acting Chief of Ordnance Brummett were before the committee having in charge this week explaining the estimates of their respective bureaus. The last provision of the bill relating to increase of the Navy, will not be considered until the latter part of next week, by which time the report of the Secretary of the Treasury on the condition of the finances will be laid before Congress.

The sub-committee of the Senate Appropriation Committee, consisting of Senators Allison, Stewart and Gorman, begun the consideration of the Army Appropriation bill this week.

Secretary Elkins, Gen. Schofield, Gen. Flagler and Gen. Casey were before the Senate Appropriation Committee on Thursday last in connection with the estimates for fortifications. They all united in urging an increase in the amount allowed by the House for gun and mortar batteries and other works of defense.

Appreciating the difficulties in the way of the enactment of special measures, the Senate Military Committee has concluded to resort to the at one time common practice of securing desirable legislation through the medium of the Army Appropriation bill. At its meeting on Thursday it was decided to offer and urge the adoption of amendments to this measure providing for the increase of pay to non-commissioned officers recommended in the bill passed by the Senate last session, and now pigeonholed in the House Military Committee, for the reduction of the number of majors in the Pay Corps from 25 to 20, and to reduce the rank of Chief Signal Officer, upon the retirement of General Greeley, to major. The committee also decided to report favorably a bill for the restoration and retirement of Surg. John A. Finley, who was wholly retired a year or two ago, and the pending nominations of Lieut. Howard to be Assistant Commissary, and 21 Lieut. Burr, to be lieutenant of ordnance.

The action of the Senate Military Committee in recommending an amendment to the Army Appropriation bill, providing for a further reduction in the number of Army paymasters from 25 to 20, would not seem to augur well for the confirmation of Paymaster Halford. It is evident by this action that the committee considers 20 paymasters sufficient for the requirements of the Service. This being the case the question naturally arises, can the committee consistently approve Mr. Halford's nomination for a position in a corps already exceeding by four the number considered necessary for the needs of the Service?

BILLS INTRODUCED.

S. 3715, Proctor. To authorize the appointment at the Military Academy of an assistant professor of mathematics, who shall receive the pay and allowances of captain mounted, and after ten years' service the pay and allowances of major; and hereafter ten per centum of his current yearly pay for each and every term of five years' service, not to exceed forty per centum.

H. R. 9928, amendment intended to be proposed by Mr. Hale to the Fortification bill (H. R. 9923). Appropriates \$2,547,000 for the purchase of ground.

H. R. 10096, Lodge. To provide suitable medals for the survivors of the officers and crew of the U. S. sloop of war Cumberland, sunk by the Confederate ram Merrimack.

H. R. 10115, Bartine. Appropriates \$18,500 to

enable the Secretary of War to furnish to the State of Nevada a complete battery of four 3.3 in. breechloading rifled steel field guns, with carriages, caissons, combined forge and battery wagon, harness and appurtenant stores.

H. R. 16165, Payne. Appropriates \$200,000 for the construction of new buildings and the enlargement of the military post at Osawego, N. Y.

H. R. 10171, Wadsworth. For the purpose of increasing the efficiency of the coast defenses. Appropriates \$1,300,000 for one Bardon semisubmarine boat, 200 x 40 ft., 16 ft. draft, 2,400 tons displacement; to have a low armored deck of nickel steel for deflecting cannon shots; with a hydraulic buffer, a conning tower, a bridge for machine guns, 7,500 h. p., with twin screws, and guaranteed speed of not less than 20 knots, and one 24 inch gun at the bows and guaranteed to throw a shell with 300 lbs. of wet gun cotton into an ironclad below her armor plating, and to be exploded by a time fuse that will burn any length of time desired by the Secretary of the Navy; the contracts to provide for extra payments for extra speed over 20 knots per hour, with rebate for less speed than 20 knots per hour, and for the refunding of all the money paid on the contract by the Secretary of the Navy in case of the non-performance of the same, and the payment of a royalty of five per cent. on other boats and guns.

(Correspondence of the Army and Navy Journal.)

WEST POINT.

JANUARY 18, 1893.

We regret to learn that the result of the deliberations of the Academic Board shows that our congratulations of last week to have been somewhat premature, ten cadets having failed to pass the examination to the satisfaction of the Board. This number is comparatively small; last year there were 16 cadets found deficient in the 4th Class alone. This year three were "found" in the 3d, and seven in the 4th Class.

The standing of the First, Second and Third Classes in the various studies is here given; that of the Fourth appeared last week.

CORPS OF CADETS, JANUARY, 1893.

First Class—51 Members—Standing in Engineering, Law, History and Ordnance:

Andrews, 10, 22, 30, 20.
Babcock, 24, 29, 30; Bassette, 22, 26, 32, 34.
Carey, 40, 47, 45, 40; Cassatt, 35, 33, 39, 36; Clark, 11, 23, 37, 26;
Crosby, 20, 23, 17, 30; Cruikshank, 12, 5, 3, 14.
Edwards, A. M., 41, 25, 15, 50.
Farr, 17, 12, 19, 23.
Hart, 48, 24, 40, 37; Hartwick, 36, 30, 24, 38; Hazard, 26, 21, 12, 8; Heiner, 8, 6, 3, 7; Honey, 19, 29, 21, 16; Houle, 48, 40, 37, 44; Howell, 5, 1, 1, 3; Hyer, 22, 41, 49, 33.
Jameison, 4, 48, 48; Johnston, 2, 17, 14, 2.
Kilbourne, L. F., 44, 9, 46, 31; King, D. M., 3, 27, 18, 17;
Kutz, 1, 4, 5, 1.
Laubach, 7, 10, 15; L'wys, 51, 45, 44, 51; Lawton, L. B., 18, 11, 11; LeComte, 26, 3, 2, 9.
Martin, 20, 16, 20, 19; McKenna, 49, 23, 13, 43; McManus, 4, 12, 11; Morgan, 21, 14, 23, 27.
Neilson, 50, 45, 31, 49.
Pattison, H. H., 33, 37, 29, 39; Perry, H. R., 34, 44, 33, 23.
Raymond, 6, 7, 22, 4; Rice, 13, 8, 4, 12; Rogers, W. C., 38, 49, 41, 47.
Saville, 45, 41, 50, 35; Sawtelle, 31, 36, 33, 25; Schindler, 15, 15, 18, 29; Smedberg, 25, 32, 25, 21; Smith, H. A., 47, 50, 51, 43;
Smith, M. C., 27, 18, 23, 24; Smith, T. L., 27, 24, 42, 26; Spence, 28, 42, 34, 41.
Taylor, 42, 43, 43, 43; Timberlake, 9, 31, 35, 6.
Walker, K. W., 29, 33, 47, 45; Walker, M. L., 16, 10, 6, 5;
Williams, E. E., 39, 39, 18.
Yates, 20, 2, 7, 18.

Second Class—53 members—standing in Philosophy, Chemistry, Drawing and Drill:

Ames, B., 24, 42, 2, 55; Aultman, 27, 5, 6, 11; Averill, 7, 27, 10, 37.
Barden, 2, 2, 1, 1; Barker, 51, 35, 18, 38; Bash, 54, 47, 52, 48;
Bates, 43, 48, 42; Bell, E., 40, 37, 39, 28; Bent, 42, 45, 18, 49;
Berkeley, 22, 25, 24, 39.
Carson, 33, 28, 14, 15; Castle, 10, 22, 9, 4; Cochen, 31, 54, 22, 31;
Connell, 37, 46, 56, 45; Conrad, 6, 11, 5, 24; Craig, 18, 17, 51, 20;
Crain, 48, 21, 45, 17.
Edwards, O., 52, 40, 26, 44; Ely, 34, 14, 17, 40; Estes, 47, 55, 11, 54.
Gardner, 26, 18, 20, 25; Gilmore, 25, 29, 25, 29.
Hamilton, 18, 24, 31, 50; Hamilton, G. F., 11, 20, 23, 5;
Harbeson, 40, 20, 42, 43; Hawkins, H. S., 17, 32, 12, 30; Hof, 12, 8, 32, 32; Hunt, O. E., 30, 31, 10, 48.
Joyce, 19, 16, 7, 21.
Kilburn, D. W., 39, 30, 34, 41.
Ladue, L. I., 3, 3; Lang, 13, 10, 46, 37; Lawton, F. G., 38, 30, 27, 36.
Malone, 20, 18, 23, 20; McArthur, 32, 33, 40, 36; Mitchell, W. S., 4, 23, 12; Moss, 57, 52, 44, 53.
O'Hern, 5, 7, 5, 7.
Paine, W. H., 15, 9, 43, 23; Parker, F., 23, 28, 42, 13; Parker, F. L., 14, 13, 36, 9; Pence, 3, 3, 13, 14; Preston, 21, 33, 39, 38.
Rosenbaum, 35, 43, 53, 47.
Sater, 43, 34, 37, 34; Saxton, 29, 15, 33, 10; Smith, C. C., 55, 44, 31, 19; Stogdall, 46, 51, 8, 57; Stritzinger, 56, 19, 4, 12.
Uricho, 35, 55, 29, 16.
Vidmer, 35, 55, 29, 16.
Wells, B. H., 40, 53, 50, 54; Wells, F. L., 41, 26, 57, 51; Welsh, 28, 45, 54, 52; Whitworth, 50, 5, 41, 50; Williams, C. C., 4, 4, 19, 8; Williams, J. M., 8, 23, 32, 6; Wise, 48, 49, 37, 52.
"Receiving instructions under the provisions of a Joint Resolution of Congress, approved May 14, 1888."

Third Class—63 members—standing in Mathematics, French and Drawing:

Aldrich, 57, 61, 60; Ames, T. L., 10, 54, 39; Arnold, 7, 4, 11; Augustin, 51, 2, 42.
Bigelow, 15, 7, 14; Bolles, 32, 60, 45; Brits, 55, 59, 54; Briscoe, D., 62, 56; Brookes, 26, 37, 55; Bugge, 19, 15, 10; Burgess, H., 1, 17, 32.
Cavanaugh, 17, 23, 23; Charles, 56, 40, 33; Croden, 24, 6, 6, 4.
Darragh, 39, 22, 35; Davis, 34, 45, 50; Diliway, 52, 15, 9;
Dixon, 42, 43, 1; Duncan, 58, 53, 57; Dwyer, 44, 21, 40.
Fleming, 20, 14, 22.
Guroey, 13, 15, 20.
Hammett, 5, 36, 2; Hampton, D., 32, 38; Hawkins, C. E., 23, 31, 41; Herron, 28, 29, 7; Howland, 33, 39, 34; Hutton, 40, 45, 37.
Knowlton, 8, 10, 24.
Langdon, 49, 57, 42; Lewis, L. H., 14, 43, 12.
McBroom, 46, 53, 48; McGrew, 50, 44, 15; McIntyre, —, —.
Miles, 41, 19, 25; Mitchell, A., 13, 3, 19.
Niason, 35, 28, 28; Nuttman, 38, 20, 25.
Palre, C. H., 4, 14, 1; Parker, J. S., 43, 34, 58; Payne, B., 6, 8, 3; Pearce, 58, 56, 59; Penick, 54, 50, 31; Pritchard, 36, 11, Purdy, 47, 55, 51.
Richardson, 25, 9, 52.
Sample, D., 30, D; Schulz, 3, 5, 4; Sills, 12, 51, 29; Simmons, 11, 23, 19; Siviter, 31, 41, 5; Smith, F. W., 29, 47, 45; Smith, H. E., 12, 17; Smith, M. F., 30, 24, 18; Springer, 57, 33, 23; Stanley, 23, 27, 37; Stout, 3, 25, 8; Sturtevant, 27, 1, 30.
Vincent, 45, 49, 53.
Watson, 48, 46, 46; Wheeler, 9, 33, 47; White, H. A., 16, 28, 16.

†Absent with leave (sick) since Dec. 3, 1892.

A very successful performance of "A Box of Monkeys," a farce as amusing as the name, was given at the quarters of Capt. Derby on Thursday evening before an audience numbering between 50 and 60. The various roles were assigned to the following: Mrs. Edgerton, Mrs. Babbitt, Miss Bessie McGinnis, Lieut. Brown, A. H., and Holbrook. Mrs. Babbitt acted to perfection the fascinating American girl whose instructions in the "art of fascination" to her ingenious guest, Lady Guinevere (Miss McGinnis), called forth enthusiastic applause. Mrs. Edgerton, as the society matron, Mrs. Indigo-Jones, was, as usual, equal to demands of her role. Lieut. Brown and Holbrook were imitable in their rendering of their respective parts.

Lieutenant and Mrs. Babbitt entertained a number of friends at what is known as a "Jenkins" party on Friday evening.

Mrs. Michie, assisted by Cadets Kutz and Preston, received the guests at the cadet hop on Saturday evening. Among visitors were: Miss Comly, of Governor's Island; Miss Warren, a guest of Mrs. Babbitt, and Miss Hatfield, who has been visiting Mrs. Bruf.

Miss Comly returned to Governor's Island after a week's visit at the post as the guest of Mrs. Michie, early in the week.

The wedding of Lieut. Tate and Miss Scranton, of Scranton, Pa., will take place next month. There are rumors afloat that this will not be the only wedding of interest to the post during the present winter.

Leave was granted Cadet Ames, of the 2d Class, to attend the funeral of his grandfather, the late Gen. Benjamin F. Butler, at Lowell, Mass., Monday.

Lieut. McKinstry has returned to the post after an absence of two months spent in Europe.

The thermometer has fallen far below zero during the past week, from 15° to 16° below; it is estimated.

A reception will be given by Mrs. John C. W. Brooks from 4 until 7 on Friday afternoon.

As a result of the semi-annual examination at the United States Military Academy at West Point, the following cadets were found deficient and recommended for discharge: Briscoe, of Illinois; Hampton, of Ohio, and Sample, of Kentucky, of the 3d Class; and Aikman, of Kansas; Rigenmann, of Indiana; Pink, of Ohio; Mahoney, of Michigan; Roche, of Rhode Island; Palmer, of Georgia, and Thompson, of New Mexico, of the 4th Class. They left on Saturday for their homes. As this announcement has appeared in the daily papers we give it here.

Cadet Guignard, of South Carolina, is at the head of the 4th Class, which now numbers 100.

The following is the general standing of the first half of the 4th Class:

1. Guignard.	2. England.	3. Patterson, G. T.
4. Jackson.	5. Grubbs.	6. Hagood.
7. Christian.	8. Callan.	9. Morrison.
10. Hoffman.	11. Tochappart.	12. McClure.
13. Ferguson.	14. Smith, F. G.	15. Smoy.
16. Whitehead.	17. Hinkley.	18. Kelly.
19. Menden.	20. London.	21. Newell.
22. Stuart, H. R.	23. Reisinger.	24. Jerry.
25. Bell, O. W.	26. Howard.	27. Saltsman.
28. Hartshorn.	29. Kessler.	30. Berry.
31. Lott.	32. Russell.	33. Le Blanc.
34. Tupes.	35. Shelton.	36. Whitman.
37. Tracy.	38. King, E. L.	39. Stodter.
40. McCormack.	41. Applewhite.	42. Drake.
43. Miller.	44. Burside.	45. Kirkpatrick.
46. Kochsperger.	47. Stewart, M. B.	48. Holbrook.

SOCIETY OF THE WAR OF 1812.

A MEETING of the directors of the Society of the War of 1812 was held in Philadelphia on the 75th anniversary of the battle of New Orleans. The committee reported that a charter had been granted to the society which is to be framed in wood from the frigate Constitution. A vote of thanks was given to Admiral Roe and the Navy Department for the wood, and also to Edward Trenchard, of New York, for a collection of books and objects of historical value. A seal bearing a representation of the bombardment of Fort Mifflin was adopted. A committee was appointed to amalgamate and harmonize all societies of the war of 1812 now in existence or proposed.

SECRETARY OF THE NAVY TRACY registered at the Gilsey House, New York City, on Wednesday.

CAPTAIN J. L. POWELL, assistant surgeon, U. S. A., left New Orleans for New York City on Monday of this week.

REAR ADMIRAL GHEARDE, U. S. N., and his staff were formally received by President Penn, of Argentina this week.

MAJOR J. F. GREGORY, Corps of Engineers, who has recently been visiting in Washington, D. C., was expected in Milwaukee, Wis., this week.

CAPTAIN C. D. BYRNE, formerly of the 9th U. S. Cavalry, who left the service in November, 1884, is now Chief of Police Tegucigalpa in the Republic of Honduras.

CIVIL ENGINEER R. E. PEARY, U. S. N., gave an account of his Arctic explorations at the Phillips Presbyterian Church, New York City, on Thursday evening of this week.

CAPTAIN M. C. FOOTE, 9th U. S. Infantry, who has been on leave for some weeks past, rejoined at Pittsburgh Barracks on Tuesday of this week and resumed command of the post.

CAPTAIN THOMAS WILHELM, 5th U. S. Infantry, will relinquish recruiting duty at St. Paul in a few days, and go abroad sometime in February to spend several months on leave.

UNDER recent orders Lieut. W. H. C. Bowen, 5th U. S. Infantry, at present at New Haven, Conn., will, on resumption of duty with his regiment, join Forbes's company at Mt. Vernon Bks., Ala.

COLONEL A. C. M. PENNINGTON, U. S. A., resumed duty at Governor's Island on Wednesday, having returned from Washington, D. C., where he has been for a short time past as a member of the Ludlow Court of Inquiry.

FIRST LIEUTENANT EDWARD E. HARDIN, U. S. A., on duty with the National Guard of New York, is devoting his time to the supervision of drills at the armories of the New York and Brooklyn regiments. He is active and conscientious in his present duty, says the Tribune, and questions are fired at him continually while giving instructions in the armory to the officers and non-commissioned officers.

THE New York Times reports Commodore Erben as saying: "Four hundred seamen are now aboard the receiving ship Vermont awaiting assignment to the ships which are to be placed in commission for the naval review." These men are all additional to the regular establishment of the Navy, and have been enlisted under the provisions of Congress providing for a temporary increase in the naval establishment in view of the Columbian naval review. Commodore Erben stated that the men now aboard the Vermont were nearly all old men-of-war's men, and that all were seamen.

THE court-martial trial of Lieut. T. H. Fillette, U. S. M. C., on charges of indebtedness, which was begun at the Washington Navy-yard on Monday, was closed on Thursday. The papers are now being reviewed by the Judge Advocate General of the Navy.

THE STATE TROOPS.

Ninth New York.—Col. W. Seward, Jr.

The 1st battalion, composed of G, B, D and K, assembled at their armory, or rather stable, on Tuesday evening, Jan. 17. It was in command of Maj. Japha, 1st Lt. A. L. Fowler, Acting Adj., and Sergeant A. Wilcox, Co. G. Acting Sergeant Maj. Companies formed as per par. 157. That formation is simply for the purpose of signing the company. Par. 157 explains the proper manner in which to form the companies. In order to properly form his company it is not necessary for a 1st sergeant to pass all the way around making changes. Too much yelling in answering roll call in Cos. B and G. 1st sergeant should command count four, not each rank count four (Co. G). Adjutant's call was sounded before some companies were inspected and was therefore omitted.

Formation unequalized was fairly executed. Ceremony of battalion parade was rehearsed. Adjutant was a little hasty in giving guides post, as left company was not on the line; also in sound off, left company had not executed parade rest. Men were not as steady, too many heads followed the musicians.

In opening ranks front rank, left company, did not put up arm. Officers were called to the centre and companies were returned to their parade grounds.

The second formation was an improvement over the first, and the battalion parade ceremony complete was very creditable, with the exception of the following criticism: In opening ranks, the D. R. prescribe three paces, and the destination for pace is 30 in. We noticed a tendency on the part of the guides to take about 8 or 10 back steps.

In the opening of ranks there was just one man in the front rank of fourth company that brought up his left arm. Manual of arms of 1st and 2d companies very good, but in 3d and 4th companies rather ragged. Should show much better results at end of drill season than what was exhibited. 1st sergeants should be better posted in their respective duties in the ceremony of parade, in both coming out as well as returning to their company.

Companies were again dismissed, but not by the 1st sergeant. We noted that about every time a company was wheeled into line, right or left, dress followed; that in the new drill is superfluous. As a matter of fact a captain gives no command for dressing as a part of any movement, but may at any time give command for dressing just as for any other distinct movement. One captain was heard to command right backward dress, march, halt, front. There are a great many movements in the new D. R. that are similar to those in Upton's, and at times an officer may forget, but any such dressing as the above must have been, if at all, in vogue previous to Upton's.

Companies were equalized into four commands of 12 files, and a third formation was gone through with. Too much distance was between 3d and 4th companies.

After the formation, Col. Seward stepped out in front of battalion and called attention to the manner in which first sergeant reported, of both ranks when dressing, and of the unsteadiness of drill. A good talk, which seemed to infuse life into the whole battalion. He then opened ranks several times and put them through the manual of arms, and one would have thought that it was another battalion. He also called attention to the execution of order arms, that the piece should be lowered without shock. Maj. Japha again resumed command and put them through the following movements: Marching battalion front, about by fours (in the latter movement the left company executed four left about for right about three times, accounted for by too much coaching from the file-closers, which made it impossible to hear the major's commands), giving the battalion a general alignment, column of fours break from the right to march to the left, companies break from the right to march to the left and from left to right, forming line to the left from column of companies—too much rush of the left of companies; also in that movement the right guide of the leading company should place himself on the line facing the left guide, and all left guides should halt at fourth command; close column on first company fours right, deploy column fours left—in this movement guides are posted against the leading company in front of the head of the column omitted; close column on fourth company, fours left—the first company should move forward 12 paces, halt and dress to the right, instead in this case he gave command fours left and then column left; deploy column, fours right—same error as regards guides. The ceremony of review was then gone through with; men steady, distances good, intervals but fair, salutes ragged. It will be observed there was considerable done for the first battalion drill, and perhaps it might have been better to have confined the drill part of it to movements by fours, of forming line on the right and left and to the front.

The first and second companies showed good results from their drills and appeared to be in much better shape than the third and fourth companies.

Guides, on the whole, need more theoretical instruction. Many of the movements were executed by bugle.

The turns of the third and fourth companies were not up to the standard. The condition of the armory floor was, as usual, in very bad shape; water leaking through the roof caused puddles in several places on the floor.

12th New York.—Col. Dowd.

The regiment will be reviewed at its armory on Jan. 26 by Col. Daniel Appleton, 7th Regt. For this ceremony the command will parade in three battalions, commanded, respectively by Major Leonard, Capt. Burns and Capt. Content. Lieut. R. R. Tilton will be officer of the guard. A reception will follow the military ceremonies. On Feb. 4 the regimental athletic club will give a stag at the armory consisting of boxing, wrestling, etc., the programme for which is now being formulated.

Cos. C, D and E, in command of Major Leonard, held a battalion drill on Jan. 18 with very good results, although not quite up to the previous drill. At the formation of companies it was noticed that D was the only one who fell in as prescribed in par. 157, the result being that its formation and roll call was finished considerably ahead of the other companies, despite the fact that it had a much larger turnout than the other companies. The battalion was equalized into four commands of twelve files by Act. Adj. Paine. Battalion was exercised in manual, the major directing, fronts into line and marching in column of fours and by companies was very well done. The guides at first were very slow in coming out, but later showed proper alertness. In forming line the first company crowded the second at

times and the second company the third. The changes of front and close column movements were well executed, as were also the formation of street column and square. Towards the end of the drill the benefit of the evening's instruction was very apparent.

Twenty-second New York.—Col. Camp.

The annual meeting of the Board of Officers took place at the armory Jan. 18. Lieut.-Col. King was elected treasurer and Capt. Jardine re-elected secretary for the twenty-fifth consecutive time. Permission was granted to Major Franklin Bartlett to form a battalion of volunteers to make the trip to Washington on Inauguration Day. Capt. Thurston, Lillendahl and Smith were appointed a committee with power to sit up the gymnasium. Capt. Smith, Thurston and Madsen were appointed to arrange for another regimental "stag," such as was given last spring. Capt. Burton, instructor of rifle practice, was empowered to purchase a regimental trophy, to be competed for in inter-company matches at the armory range. Capt. Jardine and Smith were instructed to procure the portraits of the war veterans of the regiment, with which to adorn the walls of the armory. The regiment will parade for review at the armory and presentation of long service medals and ambulance corps badges on Jan. 28. Lieut. Anderson has been detailed officer of the guard. Col. Camp has divided the regiment into three battalions—the first in command of Major Bartlett, second, Capt. Hart, and third, Capt. Demarest. A regimental drill will be held on Jan. 23.

14th New York.—Col. Mitchell.

A REVIEW of the 1st Battalion, in command of Maj. Steen, consisting of Cos. I, Capt. Crane; A, Capt. Noble; F, Capt. McBride; H, Capt. Tobey, and K, Capt. Mitchell, was held at the armory on Jan. 18. It was a stormy night and bitter cold, but there was a goodly attendance nevertheless. The programme began with a concert of four numbers by Company's band. At the conclusion of the concert the assembly was sounded and the companies fell in promptly. Lieut. Charles A. Andrews was acting adjutant, and turned the battalion over to Major Steen in good shape for review by Gen. James McLeer. The formation was in line and the battalion presented a handsome appearance. The passage, executed first in quick and then in double time, was well done. A parade taken by Capt. Crane followed, which also proved a creditable ceremony. State marksmen's badges were presented to 98 officers and men in the battalion following the presentation of marksmen's badges the battalion was dismissed and dancing was next in order. The regimental band played many catchy selections, among which were "The Mulligan Guard's Ball," "The Keeley Gold Cure," and "Molly and I and the Baby."

Capt. J. N. Bruns, formerly of the 4th N. Y., has been elected captain of Co. C. He first joined Co. H, 9th N. Y., as a private, Nov. 18, 1878; was promoted sergeant October 1879, and sergeant, August, 1885. He was commissioned captain of Co. D, 4th N. Y., Feb. 29, 1888. The captain takes a great interest in military affairs and is known as a progressive officer.

CONNECTICUT.

ADJUTANT-GENERAL A. H. EMBLER, in his annual report for the year ending November 30, 1892, states that the total strength of the brigade is 3,115 officers and men, a gain of 108. Eleven companies of Co. C, have the maximum strength—5 officers and 65 enlisted men. Thirty companies have a membership of 90 per cent, or better, of the maximum. The machine-gun platoons, hospital corps and signal corps maintain full membership of excellent material. Gen. Embler notes with pleasure that the new system of drill was entered upon with ardor and intelligence, and most satisfactory results. The Military Examining Board report that: "Officers, as a rule, have a very good knowledge of general nature, about company and battalion movements, but when questions were asked as to details, there were, in the majority of cases, 'all at sea.' For example: Question 11, 'length and cadence of step in quick time; in double time; short step; cadence step; back step; step of pivot man in column of fours.' Several of the officers made answer that 'there is no short step in double time,' a few of them knew the length and application of step of pivot man in column of fours. Many did not know the distinction between the terms 'distance' and 'interval,' 'pivot' and 'deploy,' etc. Few could correctly explain the movements necessary for 'load,' the position of the feet, of the hands, of the arms. The position of the left hand, par. 19, drill regulations, was the rock over which many stumbled. Not one could correctly give the commands of captains, at the command of the major, 'Fire by company, three volleys, commence firing, par. 267, drill regulations.' These officers who were good on company and battalion movements were generally good on extended order drill, but when it came to the guard manual there showed a lamentable lack of study; only four officers were marked maximum on question 20, 'Officer of the day, of the guard, how detailed, his duties,' par. 48-54, guard manual. But very few could repeat 'general orders proper,' for a sentinel, par. 170, guard manual, and a few knew how to properly instruct a sentinel on post; of course not, when they could not repeat 'general orders proper.' The board recommends 'that more attention be paid to the matter of official communications,' etc.

MINNESOTA.

NATIONAL GUARD matters have been very quiet since the Chicago trip, with the exception of the meeting of the National Association recently held at St. Paul. The association met in the Senate Chamber at the Capitol in St. Paul on Jan. 10, and was very largely attended. It was one of the most interesting and instructive meetings that the association has ever held. The following papers were read and discussed: Surg. Fitzgerald, 1st Inf., 'The Practice March of Co. B, Lieut. G. H. Morgan, 3d U. S. Cav., 'Relation of University Corps of Cadets to the National Guard; Lieut. C. M. 1st Inf., M. N. G., 'Cause of the Decrease of Interest in Rifle Practice; Lieut. T. C. Clark, 1st Inf., 'The Late Trip of Co. D to Yellowstone Park; Brig.-Gen. Band, 'The Needs of the National Guard; Capt. Wright, 3d Inf., 'The Individual Company. Col. E. C. Mason, 3d U. S. Inf., made some very interesting and pleasant remarks upon the relation of the Guard to the Army. Gov. Nelson came before the association and addressed it to some length, and from his remarks all the members felt that the National Guard will find a friend in its new commander-in-chief.

The committee upon legislation made a lengthy report upon the amendments desired, all of which was approved by the association, and the Legislature now in session will be asked to pass it. The officers for the ensuing year are as follows: President, Col. Hayes, 1st Inf.; vice president, Capt. A. G. Wright, 3d Inf.; secretary, Lieut. Nexson, Q. M., 1st Inf.; treasurer, Capt. F. N. Van Dusen, 3d Inf.

After the adjournment of the association the visiting members were taken in hand by the officers residing in St. Paul and right royally entertained at a theatre party and afterwards by a banquet at the Commercial Club.

GUARD DUTY.

The National Guardsman has some very sensible remarks on the subject of the instruction in guard duty in the National Guard. It criticises the disposition shown by some men when on guard to render life a burden to other sentinels for the purpose of extracting a little fun from their discomfiture. As a rule officers who visit the posts at night are too much in the habit of "propounding perplexing problems."

"It is not the way to teach a man to be alert, watchful and cautious, by seeking to catch him napping, or by setting traps for him. Puzzling problems should be solved in the armory and not on post, guard duty should be made a serious performance, and sentinels should never be trifled with. They should be made to feel their responsibility that they are posted at a particular point for a specific purpose, and should not be diverted from it. An Army officer who visits a guard at night will ask the sentry, 'what would you do if I were to ask you to give me your piece?' If the answer is right or wrong, he will next inquire, 'why so?' If the reply be correct, he is told so without compliment; if wrong, he is put right without reprimand for his ignorance. Another fault lies with our officers, who are in the habit of stuffing the sentry so full of instructions in a single lesson that his mind is on the verge of congestion. The regular soldier, while he is fully informed as to all the multifarious details attending the duty of guards and sentinels, does not acquire them all at once. They have come to him gradually, a little to-day, more to-morrow, and at the end of a few months, with perhaps a dozen or fifteen tours of guard duty, he has probably learned them all. The National Guardsman has a tour of guard duty once a year; what he has learned this year he has probably forgotten the next, and it must be learned all over again; perhaps he has been promoted in the meantime to a non-commissioned officer, and has a new set of instructions and enlarged duty. Guard duty should be taught in the armory during the winter and spring; guards should be mounted, sentinels posted, and relieved, the rounds exemplified, etc., etc., and all this by gradual instruction, so that when the soldier goes to camp he has merely to put his lessons into practice."

SAN DIEGO, CAL.

The San Diego (Cal.) Union of Monday, Jan. 2, says: "I am doubtful if any company of Regular troops in the Army made a better showing than did the company at San Diego Barracks when the men turned out for inspection on Saturday. They marched well. Their drill was admirable. Every button was in place. Every rifle shone and the accoutrements were in perfect order, from helmet spike to heel. What was particularly pleasing to a civilian visitor was the exactness of the soldiers' housekeeping. The mess-room tables were so spick and span as to be fairly inviting to the observer. The kitchens and bake-shops are orderly to a nicety, and turned out rations sufficient to satisfy the most fastidious appetite. The guardhouse has no guests, nor does there seem to be any use for it for prisoners. Col. Kellogg, commander of the post, has reason to be proud of his command. Major Charles L. Davis, the company commander, Lieut. Shollenberger and Lieut. Peterson, post adjutant, are zealous in their work. Major S. M. Horton has charge of the well-managed hospital."

THE RETORT DISCOURTEOUS.

The California Guardsman thus revenges itself for the criticisms upon the National Guard of that State:

In all the observations reported by the U. S. Army officers detailed to inspect National Guard encampments, we find State troops criticised for failing to salute officers, and for lack of order and neatness in camp, but the greater fault—lack of capacity to endure fatigue or undergo a hard march—is seldom mentioned. This is not surprising when we reflect that eighty per cent. of the officers of the Regular Army are not familiar themselves with the dangers, hardships and requirements of an active campaign against an enemy of equal number, skill and fighting power. The book lessons of war they know to perfection, but in a practical sense they are no better off than National Guard officers.

We suggest that Gov. Markham, Commander-in-Chief of the National Guard of California, detail a competent officer of the State troops to visit the Presidio and Angel Island and submit a fair report of the discipline, efficiency and morals of the officers and men of the United States Army at these stations. All the information we get concerning the regular troops comes from commissioned officers of the Army, and therefore cannot in the nature of things be accepted as absolutely impartial and unbiased. Gen. Ruger, in his recent annual report to the War Department, states "that beneficial results ensued from the encampment of the 1st Infantry with the militia at Santa Cruz in August last." For example, if Maj. Burdick should be detailed to sojourn a week at Angel Island, Regular Army officers would not thereafter speak of the National Guard as militia, and spell militia with a lower case m.



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PENNSYLVANIA.

MAJ.-GEN. SNOWDEN, Division Commander, in his annual report to the Adjutant-General for 1892, recounts the movements on Homestead and Mount Gretna. He especially commends the zeal, intelligence and energy of Adj.-Gen. Greenland. Secrecy as to the real and final point of mobilization was essential in all respects and was strictly maintained. The 2d and 3d Brigades were on duty with full ranks, 5,378 strong, and arrived at their destination within 82 hours after the Governor issued his orders. "There is no doubt that the presence of so large a force, so startling in its sudden and unexpected appearance, preserved that part of the State, perhaps the country at large, from disturbances such as we have not heretofore witnessed, and the 1st Brigade contributed its full share."

There were several occasions when a conflict seemed imminent.

The Major-General informed the sheriff and the officers of the works that he would be perfectly neutral between employers and their workmen, but he would protect the works and every man in his desire to work. He also informed the sheriff that the forces there were in the nature of a posse comitatus, with the 1st Brigade, the largest in the history of our race, but in exercising force to assist he would use military methods in his own way, in other words he would command the troops. He refused to serve or back warrants for some constables, but sent sufficient men with Major Campbell, A. D. C., for protection.

A smaller force sent to Homestead, Gen. Snowden says, would have invited a conflict and ended in that which the Governor did in the first place, sending overwhelming numbers. The admirable military spirit displayed by all the troops, 8,615 in number, was kept up throughout except by one man, I am, of the Tenth.

After referring to the latter case, Gen. Snowden says:

The Major-General was not called on to approve or disapprove of the action taken, and has refrained from doing so officially until now, for Lieut.-Col. Streator might have asked for a court of inquiry, or on the charges a court-martial might have been called for, both in the discretion of the division commander. Now that it is proper to express an opinion, he has no hesitation in saying that I am was punished according to the customs of war and no more than he deserved. It is a source of great gratification, continues Gen. Snowden, to know that the course pursued by Col. Hawkins and Streator has been fully vindicated in a court of law and that the legality of the division commander's order was sustained by the honorable judge who tried the case; the case, strangely enough, being the first one tried out of all those resulting from an event which involved riot, murder and treason. The inspections were conducted with celerity, promptness and close attention. Guard duty was never before so well done, the necessity of it being obvious to all. A judicious pension law, incapable of abuse, to be administered perhaps by the military board, is much needed and would be just.

An adequate supply of ammunition becoming a serious question, Lieut. Col. Heideloper procured it with much risk of violence. A largely increased supply is urged. Summing up Gen. Snowden says:

The campaign is not without valuable results and information. It showed the staff to be intelligent and efficient, an organization of which the State may be proud. It proved that the claim so confidently put forth that the division could be assembled in a few hours in any part of the State was well founded. In rapidity and strength it has never been equalled. On July 11 the 1st Brigade had a percentage present for duty of 96.6, and on the 12th the whole division, 95.5 per centum. In the 1st Inf. every place was filled except one. A concentration of so large a force from far distant parts, with ranks so full, without previous notice, was never before accomplished. Officers and men came from all directions and from long distances—Maine, Texas, Montana, etc. The success of the movement shows the soundness of the principles upon which the Guard was reorganized and has since been conducted. It would be an act of great risk to depart from the ways now long trodden, which have led to such splendid results.

It showed also that regiments of two battalions are not adapted to our service, and that those of three battalions are recommended. The ten company formation is antiquated and ought to be increased to twelve. Majors ought to be elected sufficient to command all battalions; should twelve regiments of twelve companies each be formed, fourteen new companies would be required. One company of engineers, at least, is needed, as also a signal corps. The admirable services of the cavalry confirm views heretofore expressed of the value of a full squadron, and another troop ought to be raised, as well as another battery to compose a battalion. An addition of the companies mentioned would raise the Guard to about 9,500, none too large for Pennsylvania and less, in proportion, than New York, New Jersey, etc. It is obviously necessary to increase the annual appropriation to provide for the increased strength and camps for ten days. Selfish opposition arising from certain quarters ought to be disregarded, as the events of the summer show the security of our liberties and the stability of our institutions to depend upon the efficiency of the Guard.

The Major-General concludes his report by alluding in pleasant terms to the valuable and sagacious services of Brig. Gens. Gobin, Wiley and Dochert, and Col. Hawkins, to the zeal, capacity and spirit of subordinate commanding officers; to the fidelity, industry and skill of the division staff; to recent marks of high confidence on the part of the Governor, and to the hearty and most valuable co-operation by the Adjutant-General.

(Correspondence of the Army and Navy Journal.)

MISSOURI.

The Branch Guards tendered their newly elected members and present candidates for membership a reception on Jan. 14, which was largely attended. The excellent programme was opened by the orchestra. Then Capt. Sinclair delivered an address of welcome, after which came the other members consisting of vocal and instrumental music, recitations and reading. The numerous encores bestowed attested to the enjoyment by the audience of this part of the evening's entertainment, but that which followed was more thoroughly enjoyed. A light lunch had been prepared in the upper rooms which the guests were invited to partake of. Several interesting bouts with the gloves were given by the various members, also a hotly contested wrestling match of three rounds which resulted in a draw, each contestant securing one fall. Pvt. Canot, of Co. B, gave a wonderful exhibition of his skill in breaking into fragments four steel chains.

As a result of the occasion a large number of the outsiders handed in their applications before leaving the armory. The company is an exceptionally strong one, having a roster of about 90, average age about 23 years, average height 5 ft. 8 in. The company have decided to visit the World's Fair in the spring.

VARIOUS.

Major Wm. H. Coochran, Inspector 2d N. Y. Brigade, is inspecting the company drills of the several regiments in the brigade.

Co. F, 47th Regt., are rehearsing a farce comedy entitled "A Trip to Patchogue," which they intend to produce at the Criterion Theatre, Brooklyn, on Jan. 30.

The foot ball team of Co. B, 71st N. Y., and the Ridge-wood Athletic Club will a game at the armory, 107th St. and Lexington Avenue, on Saturday evening, Jan. 14.

The letters N. G. S. N. Y., which has so long designated the National Guard of New York, will shortly be replaced by the letters N. G. N. Y., the letter S, signifying State, being considered superfluous.

The committee having in charge the mounted tournament of Troop A are Lieut. H. H. Balch, Pvt. L. M. Groer, P. C. Sus and S. T. Guilford. The event will be held at the armory of the troop on Feb. 17.

Mr. Frank A. Elbert of Company C, 7th regiment, Captain Pollard, has invited the entire company and a number of his friends to a Dutch "Jaegers" on Saturday evening, Jan. 28, 1893. An entertainment will be given by some professionals.

The Legislature of Maine have passed a resolve requesting the Governor to appoint a commission of not more than five to revise the militia law to conform to the new Drill Regulations and report at the present session of the Legislature.

Col. David E. Austin, 18th N. Y., has been appointed to the responsible position of Deputy Tax Receiver of New York City. It is safe to say that the administration of affairs that comes under the direction of the colonel, will be prompt and effective.

Captain Charles Kinn, U.S.A., retired, is one of a committee appointed at the annual convention of the Wisconsin National Guard Officers' Association to establish an appropriate revision and codification of the military laws of the State of Wisconsin. The committee are now actively at work.

Adj.-Gen. Mabrey, in his report to the Governor on the operations of the Ranger force during the Garza campaign, gives great credit to the Rangers, and says that but for the ceaseless activity of that force and the United States troops, the whole region to-day would be under the power of the marauders who flocked to Garza's standard.

Col. Eddy, 47th Regt., directs the different companies of the regiment, on their respective drill nights, to combine and form as one company for practice in extended order, the senior officer taking command. The instruction will be progressive, commencing with the squad and progressing through the platoon, including the company. The annual dinner of the Veteran Corps will be held next Tuesday at the Hotel St. George, Brooklyn.

The Governor of Delaware, in his recent message to the State Legislature, calls attention to the report of his Adjutant-General, and says: "The experience of our sister States should be a sufficient lesson to us in these matters, and unless laws are enacted and appropriations made that will place the military department of this State on such a footing as will make it effectual in case its services should be required then I recommend its abolition altogether."

Adjutant General W. S. Stryker, of New Jersey, announces the following officers on the personal staff of the Governor and Commander in-Chief, as Colonels and Aides-de-Camp: Edward V. Meany, Robert Adrain, Michael T. Barrett, Anthony R. Kuser, George Pfeiffer, Jr., Leon Abbott, Jr., Joseph D. Beedle, Jr., and Asa W. Dickinson.

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As the only State in the Union having a full volunteer regiment of cavalry, Virginia claims the honor of furnishing a mounted escort to President Cleveland at his inauguration on March 4 next. Gov. McKinney has written to Gen. McMahon, who is to command the inauguration parade, urging the acceptance of the application made by Col. Wickham, commanding the 1st Regiment of Virginia Volunteer Cavalry, that to his regiment be assigned the position of special escort to the President. The Governor says: "Virginia being the oldest State in the Union, I would be greatly gratified and so would our people to have this compliment extended to this gallant command. If trouble should come upon this land of ours during the administration of Mr. Cleveland I am satisfied that no body of men could be found within its limits who would cling closer to the country and to the President than this gallant regiment of young Virginians."

COMING EVENTS.

We have received notification of the following:

- Jan. 21.—Stag of Co. I, 23d N. Y., at armory.
- Jan. 21.—Regimental stag 13th N. Y. at armory.
- Jan. 21.—Review of 23d N. Y. at armory.
- Feb. 2.—Review of 9th N. Y. at armory.
- Jan. 24.—Review of 1st Battalion, 71st N. Y., at armory.
- Jan. 24.—Annual dinner, Veterans 47th N. Y.
- Jan. 25.—Review of 12th N. Y. at armory.
- Jan. 25.—Review of 22d N. Y., at armory.
- Jan. 25.—Concert 7th N. Y.
- Jan. 25.—Stag of Frank Ehretts to Co. C, 7th N. Y., at Jaeger's.
- Jan. 30.—Ball of the Old Guard at Madison Square Garden.
- Feb. 2.—Ball and exhibition drill of Co. E, 69th N. Y., at Lyceum Opera House.
- Feb. 3.—Review of 13th N. Y. at armory.
- Feb. 4.—Regimental stag of 12th N. Y., at armory.
- Feb. 4.—Review of 1st Battalion, 23d N. Y.
- Feb. 8.—Ball of Co. C, 69th N. Y., at Turn Hall.
- Feb. 10.—Ball of Co. H, 9th N. Y., at Maennerchor Hall.
- Feb. 13.—Athletic games of Co. D, 13th N. Y., at armory.
- Feb. 17.—Mounted tournament Troop A, N. Y., at armory.
- Feb. 18.—Entertainment 23d N. Y. Trip to Buffalo.
- Feb. 21.—Annual ball of the Non-Commissioned Officers' Association 13th N. Y., at armory.
- Feb. 22.—Concert and ball, Co. D, 14th N. Y.
- March 17.—Ball of Co. A, 69th N. Y., at Tammany Hall.

TO DO GREAT THINGS.

The *Empire*, the chief organ of the Canadian Government, in an editorial of Jan. 16, on the government's programme, said:

A swift line of ocean steamers is to be established running between Canada and Great Britain, and completing the through Canadian line from Britain to Asia. The country is to be made finally independent of United States aggression upon Canadian canals by the completion of the Sault Canal upon our own soil, in the course of the present year.

The deepening of navigation in the St. Lawrence and elsewhere is to be completed upon a uniform 14-foot basis, and in three years vessels of 3,000 tons burden will be able to steam from Great Britain into Lake Superior, returning with the products of the great grain centre of the continent without transshipment, to our illimitable market in the motherland.

The Conservative Party will continue its policy without looking to Washington or sacrificing Canadian interests upon the altar of American worship and unpatriotic continentalism.

(Correspondence of the Army and Navy Journal.)

FORT LEAVENWORTH.

DURING the last three weeks the post has been very quiet owing to Mrs. Townsend's illness. For two weeks or more she has been quite low, but at the present writing she is better, and all are very glad to hear of it.

A week ago Friday the hop was postponed, but this last week the hop took place as usual and all seemed to enjoy it after the short rest from dancing.

The last entertainment was that given by the Officer's Club on New Year's Eve to see the old year out and the new year in. The club was very prettily decorated down stairs with flags, mistletoe and holly. The dining room was cleared and arranged for dancing, and the other rooms for promenade. A substantial supper was served about 11 P. M., and dancing was resumed and kept up until midnight, when congratulations were exchanged and as it was then Sunday all went home.

Lieut. Bullard was a recent visitor at the post, having come for his family. They go to Fort Stanton.

Miss Charlotte Elliot is visiting her brother, Lieutenant Elliot.

The student officers are quite elated that the January examinations are over and now they are on the home stretch. Most of them seem to think that they know when they have got enough, even of a good thing.

It is reported that the contract has been let for our new cavalry stable, and that work will be commenced as soon as practicable.

We have had beautiful weather for making ice, and all of the ice houses but one are full, and that is rapidly being filled.

THE KANSAS CITY TIMES SAYS:

At the annual meeting of the Army Co-operative Fire Association held Jan. 9, Col. E. T. Townsend, 13th Inf., was elected president; Major C. C. Carr, 8th Cav., vice-president; Lieut. F. E. Eastman, 14th Inf., secretary, and Capt. Swigert, 2d Cav., and Gilman, 13th Inf., members of the Executive Committee.

The case of Lieut. Vanco, 16th Inf., is, according to an officer on the court at Fort Douglas, based entirely on circumstantial evidence and may or may not amount to anything.

The board of officers detailed to give Seris, Macklin and Stevenson a second examination has completed its labors, and the proceedings have been forwarded to Washington. The wife of Col. Townsend is still in a very serious condition.

FORT RILEY, KAS.

The Junction City Republican has these items:

Mrs. Adair, wife of Lieut. Adair, 5th Cav., who has been visiting Captain and Mrs. De Rudlo, has gone to join her husband, who is on recruiting service at Ft. Scott, Kas. Lieut. J. E. Maxfield and 10 sergeants of the Signal Corps have gone to the Rio Grande. The corps will see active field service a little sooner than they expected.

Gen. Forsyth and daughter Marion have returned from Omaha, where they had been spending the holidays with Colonel and Mrs. Bache, and Major and Mrs. John M. Bacon. Lieut. H. S. Whipple, 7th Cav., has a fine Fargusville colt, for which he has been offered quite a nice little sum. The youngster will knock the conceit out of anything Captain Gresham has in his stable, and he has a good one.

Dr. Keefer will leave shortly for Ft. Stanton, N. M. The doctor will be sadly missed at the social parties which will come off this winter.

Lieut. L. S. McCormick has given up a pleasant recruiting and has been granted permission to join his troop, C, 7th Cavalry, now in the field in Texas.

Lieut. Frank Tompkins, 7th Cav., and bride arrived at the post last Saturday. The officers and their ladies met the happy couple at the depot with an ambulance and four, which was beautifully decorated with ribbons of various colors. The welcome to Lieut. Tompkins and his bride was extended in the good old-fashioned way.

Mrs. Nellie Everett, the beloved wife of Lieut. William Everett, 4th Art., died at this post Sunday morning. Mrs. Everett was a kind and indulgent mother, a faithful wife, and kind friend to those to whom she was known. Three children remain to mourn their great loss. Lieut. Everett and family have the sympathy of the entire post. The funeral took place and the remains interred in the post cemetery Monday.

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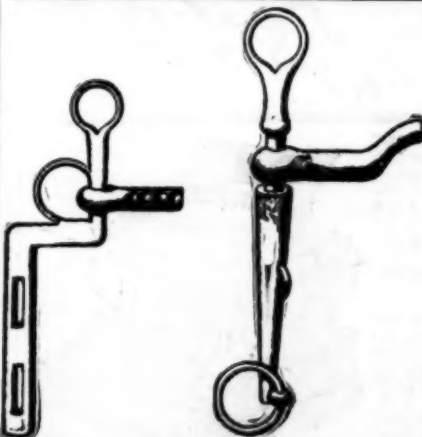
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ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

J. G.—Your service counts double up to April 3, 1898, as you were serving in Texas at that date.

H. B. P.—The Congressional District embracing Fall River has a representative at the U. S. Military Academy.

S.—Fort Yellowstone is eight miles from Cinnabar, Mont., which is on the Yellowstone Park branch of the Northern Pacific Railroad.

C.—Fort Crook, Neb., is not yet in readiness for troops, but will be well in advance in 1898. When ready for occupancy Fort Omaha will be abandoned.

Boreas.—The Army Register for 1893 reports 584 commissioned officers and 600 enlisted men on the retired list. Since then the number has slightly increased.

C. E.—The next vacancy in the Q. M. D. will occur March 4, 1898, by the retirement on that date of Major A. J. McGonnigle, Q. M. It will be filled by President Cleveland.

S.—There will be but three line retirements for age in 1898, Capt. F. D. Garretty, 17th Inf., Feb. 4; Lieut. Col. C. B. McLehane, 1st Cav., April 7; and Col. W. P. Carlin, 4th Inf., Nov. 24.

V. R. C.—The time you served in the Veteran Reserve Corps during the war counts double towards retirement. Under present arrangements the number of standing on ordnance list cannot be given.

D. E.—It has been decided by the War Department that "when a sentence of confinement or forfeiture is in excess of the legal limit, the part of it which is within the limit is legal and may be approved and carried into execution."

H. G. H.—In our opinion, if the matter came up for decision, the authorities would decide that your service commenced *de novo* in June, 1888, and that the period from June to November, 1887, does not count towards longevity pay.

N. G.—The 124th Article of War and Par. 9, Army Regulations, govern. "Militia officers when employed with the regular or volunteer forces of the United States take rank next after all officers of like grade in those forces."

Subscriber.—The Army and Navy Signal Code (substantially the Morse Code) is used in the Army. It was adopted in 1889, and is used in all systems of signaling whether with flag, torch, heliograph, homograph, chromo-sensic, etc.

Hard Tack.—There is no fixed rule as to how applications for transfer shall be answered. Sometimes the A. G. O. replies by letter, sometimes by endorsement on the original paper. Either way answers so long as the decision "gets there."

K. B.—We find no record of any officer of the name of Farmington ever having been in the Regular Army. Captain C. H. Lester, retired, the only officer of this name in the Army since 1812, is now residing at 106 W. 99th St. New York City.

Reader asks: "When will the 1st Infantry leave San Francisco, and what regiment will take its place?"
ANS.—We have no information that the change is decided upon. When it is, rest assured the earliest information on the subject will be found in the ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL.

J. K.—Can you inform me if the bill lately passed the Mexican veterans applies to the men on the retired list of the Army? It was stepped from me in March, 1891? ANS.—There has been no legislation since the act of 1891 cutting off pensions to retired officers and enlisted men which restores pensions to them.

Chevrans asks: "Please furnish me with the name and address of the Mexican Minister to the United States." ANS.—1413 I Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

W. B. W. asks if there is any vacancy in the 6th (the old 5th) Congressional District of New York at the Military Academy? ANS.—There will be no vacancy until 1894.

Townsend asks: "Where can I secure a copy of the Firing Regulations for Small Arms mentioned in Par. 81?" ANS.—Chas. Scribner's Sons, 745 Broadway, New York City. Your other question will be answered later on.

Aspirant asks: "When will the next vacancies occur at West Point and at Annapolis for the 9th Wisconsin District? Please give names of the present cadets from that district now at each academy?" ANS.—9th Wisconsin District is now vacant for Nava Academy. Appointment has just been made from this district for West Point.

Reader asks: "Who appoints light-house keepers and what requirements are needed for such an appointment?" ANS.—The Secretary of the Treasury, upon recommendation of collectors of customs who have been designated as superintendents of lights. Keepers and assistants, when first appointed, must be over 18 years of age. They must be physically sound, able to read and write, and at stations where there are fog-signals, they should have some knowledge of steam machinery.

B. C. asks: 1. Can money detained by summary court be applied towards purchase of discharge? ANS.—Yes.

2. Can money due soldier for clothing not drawn in kind be applied towards purchase? ANS.—Yes.

A subscriber asks: 1. "Will an examination take place for the position of hospital steward during the coming spring?" ANS.—No indication that there will be an examination for hospital stewards before next autumn.

2. Will candidates who successfully passed the last examination, and at present awaiting appointment, be given precedence for promotion over candidates who may attain a higher per cent. in next examination for hospital steward? ANS.—Yes.

FORT MONROE, VA.

STANLEY BOND HAMILTON, son of Lieut. W. R. Hamilton, 5th U. S. Art., a young gentleman of about 14 years of age, has started "The Fort Monroe Sentinel, Devoted to the Interests of Fort Monroe," and we are indebted for a copy of No. 1 of Vol. 1. In addition to being the editor, Master Hamilton is also the printer of his paper. Among the items we note:

The cooking club met at Col. Miller's last Friday, and Lieut. Montgomery and Newcomb took flashlight pictures of the young ladies while at dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Richards are still visiting at the quarters of Lieut. Newcomb, 5th Art. We are glad to announce the return of Mrs. Newcomb from her home, where she was suddenly called by the serious illness of her father. Lieut. and Mrs. Waite gave a very pleasant party to the younger children of the post, in commemoration of the sixth anniversary of the birth of their youngest daughter, Margaret, on Jan. 7. All the children enjoyed themselves immensely.

A LARGE wreath of fresh carnations was found recently on the grave of Gen. Boulanger, in the Ixelles Cemetery, Brussels. On it were the following words, written on a piece of cardboard: "Si tu n'avisais pas fin tes jours, maintenant que la République a besoin de toi tu serais Empereur des Français."

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BIRTHS.

BENGLAND.—At Baltimore, Md., Jan. 7, to the wife of Captain Eric Bengland, Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army, a daughter.

MARRIED.

CHAPIN—SILVER.—At Erie, Pa., Jan. 12, Ensign FRED L. CHAPIN, U. S. Navy, to Miss GRACE CARB SILVER.

HOGGATT—HAYDEN.—At Washington, D. C., Jan. 12, Ensign W. B. HOGGATT, U. S. Navy, to Miss MARIA HAYDEN.

KNEELER—DAWSON.—At Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 12, JEFFERSON KNEELER to Miss MARY E. DAWSON.

ROCK—NEUMANN.—At Grace Church, Newark, N. J., Jan. 5, Assistant Naval Constructor GEORGE HENRY ROCK, U. S. Navy, to Miss EDITH GERTHOLD, daughter of Mr. Albert C. Neumann.

ROBPAUGH—HOFMAN.—At Marietta, Cal., Dec. 31, Dr. LOUIS L. ROBPAUGH to Miss ALICE JANE HOFMAN, daughter of Captain W. E. Hofman, U. S. Army, retired.

ROWELL—SCHUCH.—At Grace Church, Newark, N. J., Jan. 11, Lieutenant MELVIN L. ROWELL, 10th U. S. Cavalry, to Miss HENRIETTA SCHUCH.

DIED.

CLARKE.—At New York City, Jan. 14, EDW. R. CLARKE, formerly Mate, U. S. Navy.

FILLMORE.—At Asheville, N. C., Jan. 7, Ensign JOHN H. FILLMORE, U. S. Navy, retired.

EMORY.—At Paris, France, Jan. 14, WILLIS EMORY, youngest son of Lieut.-Commander W. H. Emory, U. S. Navy.

EVERETT.—At Fort Riley, Kas., Jan. 8, Mrs. EVERETT wife of Lieutenant Wm. Everett, 4th U. S. Artillery.

HAYES.—At Fremont, Ohio, Jan. 17, Gen. RUTHENFORD B. HAYES, ex-President of the United States.

HUGHES.—At Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 5, OMIE M. HUGHES, daughter of Lieut. W. N. Hughes, 13th U. S. Infantry.

INGALLS.—Suddenly, at the Grand Hotel, New York City, Jan. 15, Brevet Major-General RUFUS INGALLS, Brigadier-General, U. S. Army, retired.

KAFER.—In New York, Jan. 16, JOSEPHINE E. KAFER, wife of John C. Kaser, U. S. Navy. Interment on Thursday last at Trenton, N. J.

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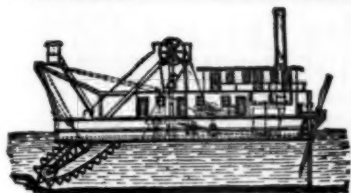
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